

Segal Chosen As Editor; Berman, Vogel, Rapaport Are Elected To Chief Posts On Executive Council Green, Muss Will Assist

David Segal '62 has been named editor-in-chief, and Irving Green and Joshua Muss, associate

Mr. Segal was also president of Yavneh this year. A graduate of Yeshiva University High School of Brooklyn, Editor-in-Chief Segal was Yeshiva's "campus correspondent" for the *New York Herald Tribune*.

Mr. Green, a RIETS student, served as copy editor of THE COMMENTATOR, and is presently national vice-president of the Intercollegiate Council of Young Israel. A resident of Far Rockaway, he is majoring in psychology.

Associate Editor Muss, a member of the tennis team and a graduating student at Teachers Institute, is an English major. He served as delegate-at-large in his sophomore year and as president of the junior class.

Named to the newly-formed position of executive editor, Mr. Weisman '62, a chemistry major, will coordinate all staffs of THE COMMENTATOR. He served as typing editor of the newspaper.

Nathan Dembin '63, news editor; Wally Fingerer, sports editor; Jason Rosenblatt, feature editor; Harvey Abramowitz, managing editor; Dave Zomick and Irv Klavan, copy editors; and Howie Begel, business manager were also appointed to the eleven man Governing Board.

A student at Teachers Institute, News Editor Dembin is presently Campus Manager of the Yeshiva College Debating Society. Mr. Dembin, a pre-medical student, was assistant news editor of THE COMMENTATOR.

Mr. Fingerer, a RIETS student, attend Rabbi Jacob Joseph High School in Manhattan. He too, is a pre-medical major.

Managing Editor Abramowitz, a psychology major, attends Teachers Institute. He is a member of the fencing team and the Co-op and served as assistant managing editor of THE COMMENTATOR.

The newly elected president of the junior class, Jason Rosenblatt is majoring in English. He attends RIETS and served as vice-president of the sophomore class.

Mr. Zomick, presently a member of the Governing Board of the Dramatic Society, was author of the sophomore play. Author Zomick attends RIETS and is majoring in physics.

A graduate of Talmudical Academy of Baltimore and a student of RIETS, copy editor Klavan was previously photography editor of THE COMMENTATOR. Mr. Klavan, a physics major, served as coordinator of clubs for Student Council last year.

Business Manager Begel, editor-in-chief of *Awakening*, the Yavneh publication, attends Teachers Institute. He is a member of the Fencing Team and served as associate editor of his class paper.

Teddy Berman '62, was elected president, Sam Vogel '62, vice-

Mr. Berman out-pollered Junior Class President Joshua Muss 302-188. Mr. Vogel gained the vice-presidential position over David Lew '62 by ten votes on the second ballot, and Mr. Rapaport defeated Ephrem Hecht '63, also on the second ballot.

Mr. Berman, a student of RIETS majoring in economics, served as Student Council secretary-treasurer and rewrite editor of THE COMMENTATOR. In addition, he edited his class newspaper, *The Sophomore*; organized the Economics Club, and was vice-president of the Dramatics Society.

Mr. Vogel, majoring in mathematics, has been active as a member in the Math and Physics Clubs. A student of RIETS, he is a two-year Dean's List student.

Secretary-Treasurer Rapaport, a physics major and a RIETS stu-

dent, served as President of his freshman class. He has also been a member of the wrestling and chess teams.

Class Elections

Murray Mednick '62, vice-president of the Dramatics Society, defeated Jack Cohen by six votes for the office of president of next year's senior class. Howard Messinger and Samuel Klein were elected vice-president and secretary-treasurer, respectively.

president, Joseph Rapaport '63, secretary-treasurer, and Leonard Pincus '62, athletic manager.

Seniors To Honor Dr. I. Greenberg

The senior class has selected Dr. Irving Greenberg, associate professor of history at Yeshiva College, as recipient of the annual senior award presented each year to honor a member of the faculty.

Now in his second year at Yeshiva College, Dr. Greenberg is Executive Secretary of the Scholastic Standing Committee.

Next year Dr. Greenberg will teach at Tel Aviv U. under a Fulbright Fellowship.

Raise \$1.3 Million For Med. School

\$1,368,000 was raised at a dinner given for the Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University, held at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, Sunday, May 7.

The dinner celebrated the formal groundbreaking ceremonies held earlier that day for the Ull-

man Research Center for Health Sciences. Jacob K. Javits, Republican Senator from New York, was the principal speaker at the ceremonies held at the campus of the medical college in the Bronx.

The Ullman Research Center for Health Sciences is named in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Sigfried Ullman, who donated \$2,000,000 for its construction. It will be a ten story, twelve-sided tower and when completed in the fall of '62 will contain three research institutes.

Ehrenpreis Awarded Guggenheim Grant

Doctor Leon Ehrenpreis, associate professor of mathematics at the Yeshiva University Graduate School of Mathematical Sciences and Yeshiva College, has been awarded a fellowship grant by the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation.

Doctor Ehrenpreis' proposed study is an investigation of partial differential equations by generalized Fourier analysis.

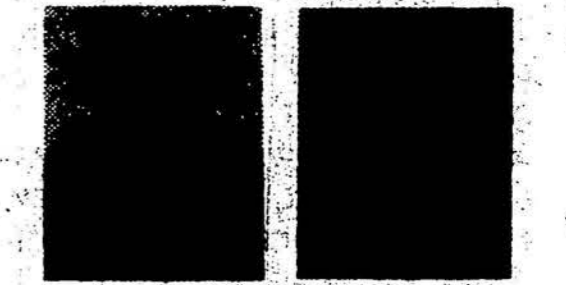
The fellowships are granted to qualified scholars in both the sciences and fine arts.

Commie Awarded First Place Rating

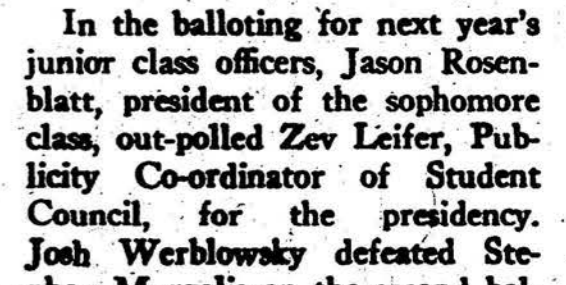
The National Collegiate Press has awarded THE COMMENTATOR a first class honor rating for the first semester of this year, announced Editor-in-Chief Murray Laulich. This year, for the first time, THE COMMENTATOR competed with schools of 500-1000 students.

News coverage, editorials, and front page make up were especially commended by the National Collegiate Press. In their evaluation of the news, the judges remarked that the writing was "clear, precise and excellent." THE COMMENTATOR was also credited with doing a highly challenging, thoughtful job on editorial features.

Commenting on this achievement, Mr. Laulich stated, "Once again, despite the usual barrage of criticism, THE COMMENTATOR has demonstrated its excellence. Our citation this year is all the more remarkable when we consider that we are competing with colleges almost twice as large as Yeshiva. It appears that THE COMMENTATOR has kept pace with the growth of Yeshiva."



Vogel



Rapaport

In the balloting for next year's junior class officers, Jason Rosenblatt, president of the sophomore class, out-pollered Zev Leifer, Publicity Co-ordinator of Student Council, for the presidency. Josh Werblowsky defeated Stephen Margolis on the second ballot for the office of vice-president while Moishe Feder gained the post of secretary-treasurer over Asher Reiss by nine votes on the third ballot.

Nazis Scored By Greenberg

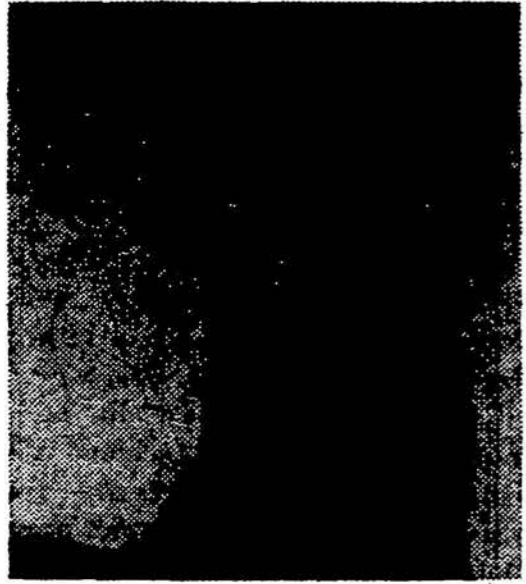
by Abe Sofaer

This is a time for remembering. Israel is now in the process of bringing one of the monsters of the Nazi regime to justice. We of Yeshiva cannot actually be present in the courtroom at *Beit Haam*, but this does not excuse us from remembering. The History Society's presentation of the movie "The Twisted Cross" and of a speech by Rabbi Irving Greenberg Thursday, March 13, helped us remember.

Many of us were there to see the movie, to hear the speech, and to try to understand. Over two hundred students came—the largest attendance ever for a club meeting.

The movie was good; it expressed the barbaric and pagan features of the Nazi regime. Following the showing, Rabbi Greenberg enhanced what we had learned by pointing out some of the facts that the movie failed to express: that Hitler was supported by both the big business men and by the ordinary, average, law-abiding citizen. Then Dr. Greenberg discussed what we should learn from the experience. From the Hagadah of the Story of Pesach we must learn to be ready to pick ourselves up and leave at any time and from any place. From the Sabbath a lesson is also to be

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editors, of THE COMMENTATOR for the coming year.

Mr. Segal, a student of the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary and a major in economics, was news editor of THE COMMENTATOR. He served on Student Council for two years, first as delegate-at-large of his freshman class and then as vice-president of his sophomore class.

NYU Triumphs In Annual YU Debating Meet

Downtown New York University's debating team was again victorious in Yeshiva University's Fifth Annual Tournament, announced Nathan Dembin '63, tournament director. Eight metropolitan colleges and universities participated in the tournament.

Debating negative positions of the national intercollegiate topic, Resolved: That the United States adopt a program of compulsory health insurance for all its citizens, Kenneth Nodyne '61 and Roy Hemlich '63 of NYU defeated Marymount College's affirmative team to capture the championship plaque for the third consecutive year, thereby gaining permanent possession of it.

The day-long competition, which began at 10:30 A.M., consisted of three preliminary rounds, a buffet dinner, and then the championship debate between the two leading teams. Three prominent citizens judged the championship. They were Dr. Marcus D. Kogel, dean of the Albert Einstein School of Medicine; Mr. Nathan Orgell, city register; and Mr. Lee Epstein, a prominent attorney and an instructor at the City College of New York. The preliminary rounds were judged by faculty advisors of the participating teams.

Dr. David Fleisher, chairman of the English Department at Yeshiva College and faculty advisor to Yeshiva's debating team, presented the awards.

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Books On A Hot Tin Roof

If spring is here, can summer be far behind? As a matter of fact, but four weeks separate us from our annual respite. While many of us attend camps, are otherwise gainfully employed, or just enjoy a well-earned vacation, Yeshiva University will be readying itself for the coming term. The various edifices will once again appear resplendent in their new coats of shiny paint.

May we remind the administration that one area usually forgotten about is the Gottesman Library and its numerous "annexes." Aside from the fact that there isn't enough space to house this valuable collection, even the facilities which are available do not reflect on the sanctity of the *Sifrei Kodesh* with which they are entrusted.

Hundreds of volumes are housed on the roof or in the domes. Open windows and doors and leaky roofs permit moisture and decay to take their toll of this valuable collection.

If these *sforim* are no longer in usable condition they should be disposed of in the proper manner. If, on the other hand, they are of value, they should be treated in a manner befitting their worth. It is totally unbecoming for these *sforim* to be relegated to such a miserable existence.

Although the University cannot be expected to erect a new library building during the course of a summer, they can take measures to repair the existing facilities. May we also suggest that perhaps the porters could find their way to the library shelves and remove the coating of dust covering many volumes. And while this is being done perhaps the librarian could also find it necessary to send even a small part of the collection on its long awaited trip to the bindery.

The University is well aware that many of its books cannot stand another year's use without being properly bound. The damage to many of these items would surely mean an irreparable loss to this important cog in the academic wheel.

From Here To Eternity

One glance at the staff box will tell you that the editorships have changed hands. Some names have disappeared from view and others have moved up on the list.

Some might take this to mean that THE COMMENTATOR itself has changed. May we put our devoted readers' minds at rest: *Commie* is the same as always. It will in the future continue to serve the student body with the same sense of responsibility and respect as it has in the past.

THE COMMENTATOR will continue to mean an hour of relaxation for the student body and sleepless nights for its student editors. For the outgoing Governing Board it will also signify the end of a year devoted to the service of the student body. We of the incoming board know that we share the feelings of the entire university family in wishing our predecessors G-d speed on their journey into life.

Return To Parker's Place

Yeshiva University is presently undertaking a massive construction program. \$5 million are budgeted for the expansion of the Main Academic Center, \$25 million for the creation of a mid-town campus, and over \$27 million for further development of the Einstein Medical Center.

With the completion of these projects, many of the University's present problems will have been eliminated. However, a situation now exists that has been plaguing the student body at the Main Academic Center for many years—the lack of adequate study halls.

The dormitory is not adequately soundproofed, and the libraries are limited in space and early in closing. Students wishing to do concentrated studying must use the residence hall cafeteria or the classrooms in the main building.

THE COMMENTATOR has learned from administrative officials that the cafeteria will be looked every evening after 10 P.M. beginning next term.

Closing this makeshift study hall will place an unnecessary burden on the student body. We strongly urge the administration to reconsider these plans.

The Apartment

THE COMMENTATOR wishes to thank all the sidewalk superintendents who have been aiding in the speedy erection of the new building. As we watch it going up we hope that this past semester will be the last that THE COMMENTATOR will have to spend in its inadequate fifth floor "apartment." We are looking forward to moving to a new home this coming September, upon the completion of this new building. With these new facilities THE COMMENTATOR will be able to continue its tradition of service to the students of Yeshiva College with increased efficiency.

Letters To Editor

Synthesis Supplement

To the Editor:

Due to the pressure of circumstances, I was not consulted regarding some cuts which had to be made in my article published in the last issue of THE COMMENTATOR. Some of these cuts merely deleted transitional passages or relevant quotations; this material I have consigned to omit. Others were of a more substantive nature, however, partially affecting the content of the article. These are herewith restored. The article is to be seen as an integral whole *only* together with the following passages:

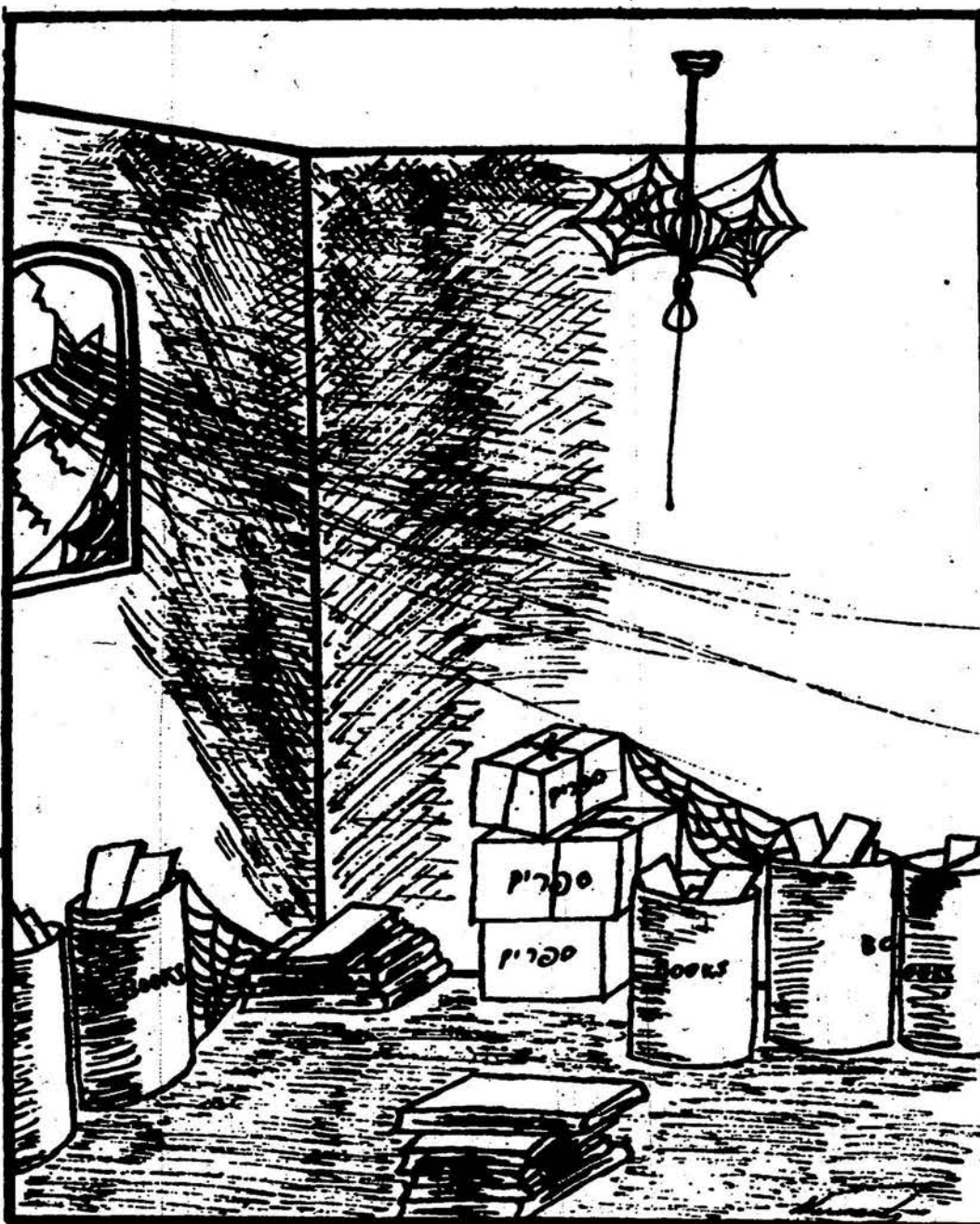
1. Page 5, bottom of column three, just before heading:

We may even go further. In our circumstances certainly, general knowledge is necessary not only for influencing others; it also helps us to preserve our own faith. The *Apikoros*, whom, according to the *Mishnah*, we should be able to answer, need not be a free-thinker nor idolator. There is an *Apikoros* within, a serpent potentially lurking within the finest of Edens, and we must be ready to reply to his proffer of the bittersweet apple. But we must first read a treatise on serpentine psychology.

2. Page 5, bottom of column four, just before heading:

Nor should we be deterred by the illusion that we can find all we need within our own tradition. As Arnold insisted, one must seek "the best that has been thought and said in the world," and if, in many areas, much of that best is of foreign origin, we shall expand our horizons rather than exclude it. "Accept the truth," the Rambam urged, "from whomever states it." Following both the precept and practice of Rabbenu Bahyye, he adhered to that course himself; and we would be wise to emulate him. The explicit systematic discussions of Gentile thinkers often reveal for us the hidden wealth implicit in our own writings. They have, furthermore, their own wisdom, even of a moral and philosophic nature. Who can fail to be inspired by the ethical idealism of Plato, the passionate fervor of Augustine, or the visionary grandeur of Milton? Who can remain unenlightened by the lucidity of Aristotle, the profundity of Shakespeare, or the incisiveness of Newman? There is *chochma bagoyim*, and we ignore it at our loss. Many of the issues which concern us have faced Gentile writers as well. The very problem we are considering has a long Christian history, going back to Tertullian and beyond. To deny that many fields have been better cultivated by non-Jewish rather than Jewish writers, is to be stubbornly — and unnecessarily — chauvinistic. There is nothing in our medieval poetry to rival Dante and nothing in our modern literature to compare with Kant, and we would do well to admit it. We have our own genius, and we have bent it to the noblest of pursuits, the development of To-

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Time For Spring Cleaning?

Letters To The Editor

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rah. But we cannot be expected to do everything.

3. Page 6, middle of column two, just before heading:

I doubt that any Yeshiva student was every much corrupted by Augustine's *Confessions* or Aquinas' *Summa*. But can the same be said of Ibsen's drama and Whitman's poetry? Berlioz' music and Titian's art? Do we recognize the determinism latent in the writings of so many social scientists — often so pervasive as to be assumed rather than stated? Are we taken in by the quasi-religion of an Emerson or Carlyle? Do we judge political events by religious standards? Our scrutiny must perhaps be keenest when we are furthest from the library or lecture hall. To return to Eliot, "Explicit ethical and theological standards," must be especially applied to "Works of imagination." By these, all of us may be influenced.

4. Page 6, bottom of column two, end of last paragraph:

"It must never be forgotten," Whitehead declared, "that education is not a process of packing articles in a trunk. . . ." Its nearest analogue is the assimilation of food by a living organism, and we all know how necessary to health palatable food under suitable conditions is. When you have put your boots in a trunk, they will stay there until you take them out again; but this is not at all the case if you feed a child with the wrong food." Of course, we prefer to think we have passed out of nonage. But adults also watch their diets.

5. Page 6, middle of column four, just before heading:

Of course, college also has a strong bearing upon a student's future. Some will never attend graduate school, and even for those who will, previous college preparation is important. But no matter. First things first. Students who find that their general education interferes unduly with their religious studies could, as I have suggested earlier, stretch out the former. However, many should be able to combine them. An undergraduate program is not quite that rigorous. Good students putting in what most schools consider a full day on the study of Torah should still be able to pursue a serious college program. Of course, this would require diligence. Full concentration. No frills, no flimflam. But it can be done.

6. Page 6, column five, just before heading:

As Coleridge so keenly perceived, faith can be neither profound nor enduring where the intellect is not fully and actively engaged in the quest for God: "The energies of the intellect, increase of insight, and enlarging views, are necessary to keep alive the substantial faith in the heart. They are the appointed fuel to the sacred fire." Where the mind is dormant, the whole man becomes torpid.

—Rabbi Aaron Lichtenstein

Commendable Caller

To the Editor:

I am herewith transmitting to you a letter which Mr. Abrams received from Mr. F. H. Downing, Traffic Superintendent of the New York Telephone Company: "We were very favorably impressed with a letter that we received from one of your students, a copy of which I am enclosing. The following is the content of the letter:

'Gentlemen: Enclosed you will find \$1.45 in cash. This is money which I received unjustly from one of your pay phones at the Yeshiva University Dormitory. I put in 10¢ and heard "klinging and klanging" like a Las Vegas machine when someone struck it rich. Out poured \$1.55. Ten cents I kept as it was mine and the remaining sum I am returning. Sincerely yours, a Yeshiva student.'

In this day and age when the trend seems to be to get away with as much as you can, it is indeed refreshing to know that all of our young people do not subscribe to this philosophy, as evidenced by this young man's action. He is a credit to the college and certainly typifies the high principles for which it is well known. If you can possibly locate the student, we'd appreciate it if you would pass on our thanks to him and let him know how highly we regard his action in this instance."

I am sure that this will be of interest to the entire student body.

—Dr. Isaac Bacon, Dean

GRE Protest

To the Editor:

Grave and undue concern was expressed by the Yeshiva College administration over the Senior Class shenanigans that preceded the recent Graduate Record Examinations. The noise and disturbances were hardly cause for alarm. Certainly the school has weathered more violent "protests" in the past and they have harmed neither school administration nor students. Chiding the seniors serves no purpose other than to promote the continuation of this harmless tradition.

True the GRE is no longer counted for honors (for which we are forever thankful); yet, an exam covering areas which most of us find almost totally strange such as architecture, art, music, and sculpture, must inevitably evoke an unfavorable response.

Furthermore, it should be realized by all concerned that there is an obvious difference between the playful antics that preceded the examinations and the attitude with which the exam was taken. Let us not confuse the issues.

When our scores are reported and tabulated, I feel confident that it will be shown that the class of '61 has fared no worse than its predecessors.

—Avery J. Gross '61

Bleeders Thanked

To the Editor:

I received a letter from Dr. William M. Markel, Director of

the American Red Cross, New York Regional Blood Program, which I believe should be of interest to the entire student body and the faculty of Yeshiva College.

"Dear Dr. Bacon:

Once again it is my pleasure to write and thank you, the faculty and students of Yeshiva University, for your participation in our bloodmobile unit on December 21, 1960. We collected 182 pints of blood.

Special commendation should be extended to Mr. Eugene Roshwalsky for his outstanding coordination of the drive.

Mrs. Helen Cantwell of our recruiting staff has advised me of the many courtesies extended to our staff and, on their behalf, I thank you.

The continued success of the Yeshiva University Blood Bank has been a source of constant gratification to us, and we at Red Cross enjoy very much working with the students and faculty, and all look forward to a visit with you next December.

William M. Markel, M.D."

I trust that you will see fit to publish this letter.

—Isaac Bacon, Dean

Call For Death Penalty

To the Editor:

The "Let's Analyze" editorial of Thursday, April 27 is an insult to the intelligence of Yeshiva University students and a gross affront to our sensitivity as Jews.

First, Mr. Laulicht expresses his grave concern over the legality of the Eichmann trial. It is indeed strange that precisely the same "moral" issues that bothers the editor of a so-called Orthodox Jewish publication also bothers the Anti-Zionist American Council for Judaism!

Mr. Laulicht is a wiser man than I. He knows all about legality and its meaning, but, if you will permit a simple person to speak, when you have a man before you who calmly planned the extermination of a nation, what is legality? If Eichmann had not murdered six million Jews, but let us say, one hundred thousand British civilians, would anyone object to his trial by a British court, or their sentencing him to death? But of course this is different. Jews must be more "moral," more forbearing than anyone else. Jesus said "Love your enemies," and we Jews have to be the only ones to listen to him.

But Mr. Laulicht is worried about legality. How wonderful, how blessed it must be to be a moralist when you occupy a comfortable dormitory on Amsterdam Avenue in New York! But I wonder what a woman who had her baby taken from her by one of Eichmann's stooges to have its head bashed against a wall would comment on Mr. Laulicht's "moral" concerns. I wonder whether a man who saw his family shot by these unspeakable brutes would be concerned about the legality of the trial.

But Mr. Laulicht is concerned,

for Mr. Laulicht is a moral man! The judges are "biased." Boruch Hashem, there are still some human beings left in the world!

Mr. Laulicht is opposed to the death penalty for Eichmann. Why? To preserve the sanctity of human life. Six million Jews are murdered by this *Yemach Shemo*, and we have to preserve the sanctity of his life! Does Mr. Laulicht really see the image of G-d in Eichmann?

Mr. Laulicht admits his limited knowledge of Talmud, but surely he knows a *posek* in *Chumash*. "Timche es Zecher Ho Amalek." "Blot out the memory of the Amalekite!"

When a man calmly murders six million human souls, is he a human being by ordinary standards?

Does a cancer cell in a human body have the same sanctity as a healthy cell? A surgeon cuts cancer out of a body and leaves healthy tissue, that it might live. A man of morality cuts out the cancers of humanity that we may all live without being defiled.

Eichmann must die not to "atone for his sins" or make up for the lives he took. Even I am not so simple, Mr. Laulicht. He must die because he has no right to live. If he lives, we concede his life, his value, and he is human, of the same species as us. If we admit that we are forgetting his deeds, we are forgiving; and if we do that, I must divorce myself from such insensitive people.

Several rabbis in Israel have suggested a sentence for Eichmann which I think is poetically beautiful and would prove to be eternally significant. Let the relatives of the victims come to a designated spot and there let the Amalekite be stoned.

—Mel Granatstein '62

Charity Change?

To the Editor:

I would like to concur with the idea proposed by Professor Silverman in his letter in the April issue of THE COMMENTATOR. He suggested that money donated in the Yeshiva University Drive encompass secular charities as well as worthy causes in Israel. However, although it is a noble proposition, it is unlikely to succeed in view of the response that has been accorded the less ambitious program now in effect.

Student participation in the present Yeshiva University Drive does not warrant more than one effort a year nor does it encourage broader coverage.

Perhaps more active publicity on the part of the student newspaper might spur a successful culmination of the one charity drive before expansion can be contemplated.

Morton Minchenberg '61
Charles D. Maurer '62
Co-Chairmen—Y.U. Drive

**Protect Your Chest
With A
Segal Vest**

M. Hecht Elected S. O. Y. President

Michael Hecht '61, has been elected president of the Student Organization of Yeshiva in elections held May 17.

A graduate of Yeshiva University High School-Manhattan, Mr. Hecht has served as vice president of his college class and is now associate editor of *Masmid*.

He is a student in Rabbi A. Solovetchick's *shiur* and plans to enter the semicha program of RIETS next year.

Mr. Hecht stated, "SOY must aid in fulfilling the goal of Yeshiva in enriching the life of our students. Students of RIETS must realize their primary obligation is to Torah, and the SOY must assume its responsibility in fulfilling this aim."

Stanley Kupinsky '61 served as chairman of the SOY canvassing committee.

Eugene Zavaloff '60 held the position of president of SOY, Danny Fingerer '62 vice president, and Al Maimon '63 secretary-treasurer this past year.

TI Senior Dinner Set For June 13

The annual Teachers Institute senior dinner, supported for the first time by both the TISC and the alumni association, will be held Thursday, June 13, announced Jerome Hernbliss '62, president of the TI Student Council.

Dr. Morris Silverman, college registrar, announced that college sessions for the coming academic year will begin October 6, after the holidays, while all Hebrew departments will reconvene on September 6.

Pre-registration, to reserve a place in a class for next year, will be held from May 29 to June 12 and registration will begin September 6.

The schedule will be open to comments for a two week period.

This year's dinner will honor Dr. Jacob Hartstein, dean of the Long Island University Graduate School. At the dinner, the valedictory address will be delivered and scholastic and service awards presented.

The Nazi Regime...

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learned — that we should not be possessed by our possessions. Too many Jews in Europe had forgotten these points, even if they had not forgotten Pesach and Shabat.

We were reminded that the crimes were not special crimes committed only against the Jews. The crimes were against all humanity, and the lesson we learn from Shabat and Pesach are lessons to be learned by all humanity; we must be free from our possessions and our physical surroundings, slaves only to the ideals which alone can save man from himself. And for us, the Jews, it is a personal message as well — maintain your freedom.

IN PROSPECT

by David Segal

THE COMMENTATOR has a new staff, a new Governing Board, and a new editor-in-chief; and I, as this new editor, feel obligated to set down in writing my ideas concerning Student Council, the student body, and Yeshiva College in general.

If the student body can understand the goals of their government, if they know the views of their leaders and editors, they will

we will cry out. If we feel that the College, or RIETS, or TI, or, JSP is moving backward instead of progressing, we will cry out. When this newspaper was named 26 years ago its duty was formulated. It is a commentator, one that voices opinion, rather than an observer, one that watches.

A tradition was continued on the editorial page of THE COM-

and editorials much more strongly.

But student leaders can help to correct academic faults only if they have the complete support of the student body. We all must participate in our government. We must contribute time to Council and help formulate policy.

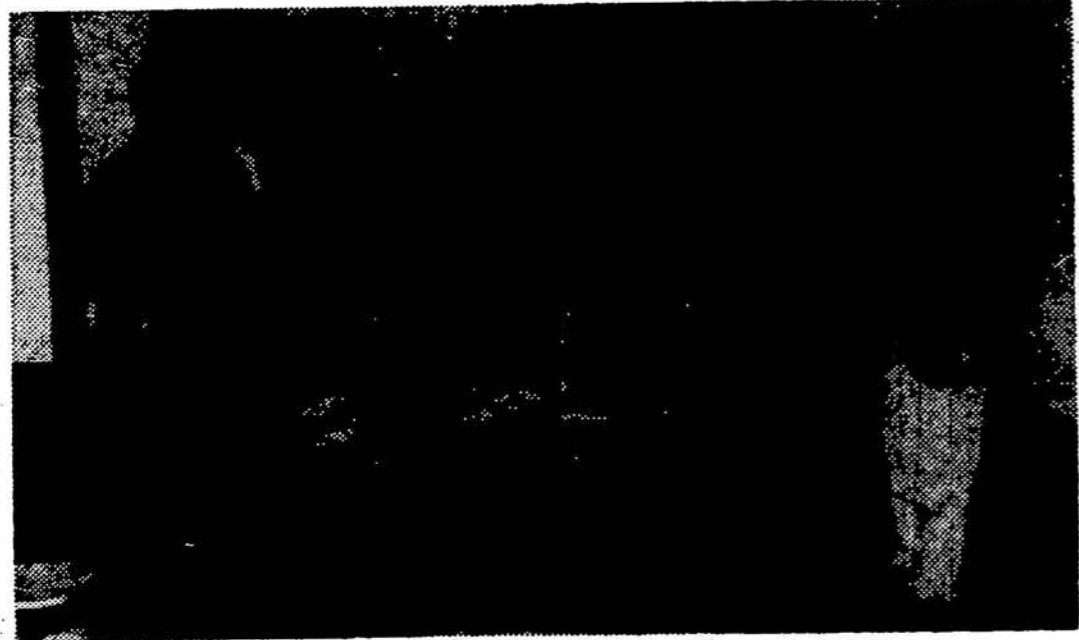
When THE COMMENTATOR and Council ask for an unlimited cutting system or a Jewish Ethics and Philosophy course, this affects us.

There are those who say that we have entered an institution, and we must follow its rules and laws no matter how wrong or unjust. This reminds me of the saying "Our country, right or wrong." You may believe in this, but I believe in "Our Country, when right, good, when wrong, our duty to set it right." It is our duty to express our views on all policies of Yeshiva because the future of Orthodox Judaism in the United States hangs in the balance. And when I say "our" I mean not only THE COMMENTATOR but YCSC, JSPSC, SOY, TISC, and every individual student. We cannot and must not neglect this obligation.

If we do not help correct faults in the University and the prestige or effectiveness of this institution falls, we will have to share the guilt.

Organ of Opinion

If anyone needs a place to express an opinion, the "letters to" (Continued on page 7)



Incoming Governing Board

better understand the reasoning behind every resolution and editorial.

Apathy Scored

Since I've been in the school, one problem has been apparent in the minds of almost every student leader — apathy. It is a disease which, if not curbed, if not destroyed, if not completely separated from us, could wreck not only Student Council but the whole of Yeshiva College.

Council in recent years has presented more activities, more services, and more speakers than ever before. Almost every club that applied for a charter was awarded one. The Dramatic Society was organized and the boys worked hard to give the school high quality shows.

But, in my opinion, even if every club has fifty members and tickets for every Dramatic Society show are sold out, and even if THE COMMENTATOR appears every other week with a six page edition, Student Council may yet have failed.

Activities Secondary

All these activities are secondary to the main purpose of Council and *Commie*. It is true that student government must publish an interesting newspaper and provide enough activities to entertain the voters; however, it must also, and above all, strive to better the school both religiously and academically.

This is what THE COMMENTATOR attempted to do this year with editorials and will continue to do next year.

One of the purposes of Yeshiva University, as stated by Dr. Belkin in the General Bulletin of Information, is "to meet the complex spiritual, moral and intellectual needs of the American Jewish community in particular, and American higher education in general, by training young men and women for leadership."

If the Governing Board feels this goal is not being approached,

MENTATOR this year, a tradition of asking not for an easier curriculum but for quality in religious studies. This policy will be continued. Next term THE COMMENTATOR will review all of the morning divisions at the Main Academic Center. We will attempt to point out weak points that still exist and offer suggestions for their elimination. This will be done only after long and serious discussions with the head of each individual department.

However, I would not lift a finger to correct these faults if I did not feel that YU can become a tremendous force in American Judaism.

Most of us live in New York or in another large Jewish community and do not realize the intellectual difficulties of Jews not encompassed by such an environment.

Judaism Jeopardized

These people have questions about Judaism and they need someone to answer them. They are doubtful as to the existence of G-d, know very little about the Torah, and do not understand the philosophy of the Jewish religion. They need answers and we must give them good ones if we are to combat assimilation.

These Jews are not turned into pious men by the sight of beards and *payos*, but possibly will be by sound, logical argument. Yeshiva University graduates, not necessarily rabbis, can lead these people back into the fold of orthodox Judaism if they have the right answers, and only if they have a broad knowledge of Jewish philosophy and ethics. I feel that this is the type of leader Yeshiva is attempting to train and I feel this is a *raison d'etre* for YU.

I believe in this, and I am almost positive that a large majority of the student body agrees. This is the reason we comment about academic policy, and once the administration realizes this, they will consider our resolutions

Campus Chatter

by Danny Halpert

St. Vincent College Review: "John Kennedy is shoring up the foundations of a 'new frontier' by returning to the scene of some of his earlier political battles and taking up residence at St. Vincent. According to informed sources, the popular former presidential candidate will arrive here early next September. The faculty will welcome Mr. Kennedy when he returns after a semester's absence. In 1959, 'Jack' ran unsuccessfully for the presidency of the freshman class."

Upsala Gazette: "I am once again at my old home in Tokyo, Japan, after two years of a wonderful stay in the United States. My college life at Upsala now seems very short. I am sure that everybody likes his own country and his own home better than any other place; however, it is impossible for him to know and to understand people in other lands if he doesn't try to see them with his own eyes. . . ."

From an editorial in the same edition of the *Gazette*: "Of course, there are some who will say that the hope that some day all men can come to know and understand each other and to live together as brothers, is only a dream. And, they will be right. It is a dream. Among other things, it is sometimes called the 'American Dream'."

South Carolina Collegian: "Many 'liberals' in this country are saying that the United States should waste no more time in condemning dictators even if they are friendly to us. And apparent-

ly this attitude is becoming a cornerstone of United States foreign policy. We opposed our friend, Dictator Batista, thus opening the door for our enemy, Castro. But what about those dictators who are not so friendly to the United States? If we are truly against dictators, then why don't we give the cold shoulder to Dictator Nasser of Egypt, or Dictator Sukarno of Indonesia, or Dictator Nkrumah of Ghana? . . ."

Portland Oregon Beacon: "Some of us have come to realize that freedom of speech, the press, religion, voting and nearly everything else all boil down to one thing: the freedom to make a mistake, all by ourselves with no help from anyone. If we are supposed to be able to avoid mistakes, we are wasting our time in school; we should, in that case, be out doing something, not learning how to do something. . . ."

Brooklyn Kingsman: "In the wake of our much publicized 'Cuban defeat' there has been much emanating from the press discussing the myriad of disasters that will result from the unhappy event of the C.I.A.'s attempt to invade Cuba. We're told that the Russians may get a missile base less than 100 miles from Fort Lauderdale, our prestige has dropped in Africa, and the State Department may suffer 'agonizing reappraisals.' But not once did we hear of anyone expressing any second thoughts about the hundreds of people who were killed, on both sides, because of a miscalculation in Washington."

IN RETROSPECT

by Murray Lulicht

I am not anxious to immerse myself once again in hot water. I do not thrive on trouble, nor do I particularly relish spreading venom. A small voice in my ear informs me that my year is over and my opportunities to rail and rave have been relinquished to another. My mind tells me unequivocally to let well enough alone and realize that, as an undergraduate stripped of power and position, I can no longer accomplish anything for Yeshiva.

The mature thing for me to do right now would be to thank Murray Geller for being one of the most wonderfully understanding partners an editor-in-chief ever worked with, my associates on the Governing Board for putting out a newspaper in spite of my time-consuming eccentricities, and the administration, for listening so patiently and attentively to our suggestions, and then get my hat, my coat, and check out.

It's Too Late . . .

To my knowledge, "In Retrospect" has always been used as a general summary of the events of the previous year, rather than as a springboard into the black depths of infamy. Editors-in-chief have previously felt that if they could not say all that they wished to during the course of the entire year, they would fail to do so in their one last column.

Yet, despite my awareness of these considerations, I am irresistibly impelled to relieve my chest of certain thoughts. Call it outspoken honesty, call it rashness, call it downright stupidity, I only know that a careful weighing of all factors involved leaves me no choice but to lay bare my present feelings.

I assumed the leadership of THE COMMENTATOR hopefully, if not naively. I felt confident that this year, which kicked off *Commie's* second quarter-century of existence, could not be other than fruitful and rewarding. Close personal relationships had been established between various administrators and myself, and I was certain that even if difficulties did present themselves during the year they would be ironed out long before reaching the editorial page.

My goals for the year were intellectual rather than sensational. I envisioned a newspaper devoid of long-winded edits and the ensuing chess matches in which my opponents would be spotted two queens — my present and my future — while I merely jabbed at their egos. I had no headaches for the guillotine to cure, and I would have been perfectly content to spend the year arguing, analyzing, and understanding the implications of the religion in which we place our collective faith.

Our Silver Anniversary Edition was virtually a paean to educational values. Articles discussing problems from contemporary Israel and India to war-torn Austria were solicited and published. My column for the issue was devoted to a denial of the position that THE COMMENTATOR was particularly interested in criticizing anything or anyone, and to a statement to the effect that I would not be at all disappointed if no occasion arose that demanded a critical editorial or feature.

Felman Furer

Great interest was focused upon Yehudi Felman's discussion of a *Medinat Hakalakhah* in Israel. The first ominous rumblings were now to be heard. Although it did not really mean much to me then, I was disappointed to learn that there were men of high station who were so embittered by the article as to forthwith agitate for censorship of THE COMMENTATOR.

The idea that Mr. Felman had provoked the considerations of a vital problem, a problem of which many of us had not even been cognizant, and that he had therefore performed a great service to us, never entered their minds.

Nonetheless, I must admit that I was completely elated by the reactions to the anniversary issue

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IN PREVIEW

by Teddy Berman

The fifteen members of Student Council represent the entire student body of Yeshiva College. While the primary responsibility of the student government rests in the hands of these fifteen students, the rest of the student body still has a responsibility to support student activities.

Every year there is a cry of apathy during the election campaign. Student leaders alone cannot combat apathy. The cooperation of the entire student body is needed. Yes, it involves giving up some time for public service, but it is time that is well spent.

Opportunities Offered

I will give all those who cry apathy in May the opportunity of participating in Council by the beginning of June. If the present committees or activities do not interest the student body, we will add new ones that do. If there is apathy next year, it will not be the fault of the student leaders. I invite students with new and imaginative proposals to discuss them with the Executive Council.

In addition to the present functioning activities of Council, I will institute a speakers bureau. This bureau would present speakers of interest to the student body. Though we have had more speakers this year than ever before, this is not enough. We should have a coordinated group whose energies are directed towards bringing worthwhile and interesting speakers to Yeshiva College.

W.Y.U. On Your Dial

To bring Council closer to the student body on an everyday basis, I suggest that Student Council start a radio station of its own. This station would broadcast music and programs of special interest to the student body in addition

to reports on the work of Council. This station will also serve as a means of publicity for planned activities of Council. This radio station can also be used to give extensive coverage to Yeshiva's athletic teams.

One of my pet projects, the Dramatics Society, will expand its activities to bi-monthly readings



Class Presidents: Jason Rosenblatt '63, Murray Mednick '62, Henry Falk '64.

and will invite speakers to lecture on various aspects of the theater.

Tired of Tirades

These ideas set before you are but a few of the many interesting plans I have in mind for this coming academic year. I might as well say now that I believe in a Council that takes action, a Council that is a *working* Council. I want to have Council meetings that are not free, all-night vaudeville shows as many would like to see them. I do not believe that wasting the money of THE COMMENTATOR in writing a long tirade on what is to be promised for the coming year will help counter student apathy. Our motto must be, "A minimum amount of words and a maximum amount of action."

History will be the final judge

of our accomplishments. Only if we become a truly united *working* Council will the future be able to look back upon us and say, "There was a fruitful year for Council."

Finally, I wish to thank all those who devoted their all to Council in the past, especially to Murray Geller, outgoing presi-

dent, from whom I learned so much. I pledge to dedicate my energies in keeping with the standard of duty as professed by my worthy predecessors in Student Council's proud history.

Faculty Notes:

Active Profs. Travel, Speak

Rabbi Ephraim Steinberg, assistant professor of Talmud at the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, together with his wife, will spend the summer in Israel.



Rabbi Ephraim Steinberg

He will be there from July 16 to August 10 on a tour organized by the Rabbinical Council of America.

Dr. Karl Adler, professor of music, recently represented Yeshiva University at the Queens College dedication of the Colden Center of Music and Speech.

Dr. Moses D. Tendler, newly named member of the Kasher Advisory Board of the N. Y. State Department of Agriculture and Markets, spoke recently in Washington, D.C., at the National Science Foundation Conference for Directors of Summer Training Institutes.

Dr. Leo Jung, professor of ethics at Yeshiva College, has left for a three-week educational survey of Iran and a week's trip to Israel.

Rabbi Michael Katz, assistant professor of Talmud and Bible at Yeshiva College and RIETS, published an article entitled "The Oral Torah Cannot Be Written Down" in the magazine *Sinai*.

IN REVIEW

by Murray Geller

I leave the presidency of Student Council with both a feeling of satisfaction and disappointment. I am satisfied about those achievements which Student Council was able to accomplish this year and am disappointed about that which was not able to be accomplished.

I truly believe that we gave Council a new direction this year, when we doubled the amount of honor fraternities under Student Council, accepted both the Debating and Chess Societies as organs of Council, and organized a Reading Society to encourage reading outside of those required for class.

These are only some of the accomplishments of Council and I mention these because they give me a particular sense of gratification.

I do feel, however, that a great problem is facing Yeshiva. This is the problem of the increasing tendency of the student body to attend classes merely to learn facts. Accompanying this tendency is the trend of students towards specialization with the resulting lack of cultural and ethical values. These tendencies have resulted in the lessening of interest in the morning division as the purely "secular" studies are emphasized.

This materialistic attitude of the student body is reflected in the answer to the question "Why did you come to Yeshiva?" Most students will answer that they came to acquire a good college education while learning something about Judaism. The student who comes here with the primary purpose of learning the ethics of Judaism so that he may graduate as a better human being is vanishing. In his stead has come a machine, hungry for facts. The serious student purposely chooses those courses in which the instructor requires a greater knowledge of facts so that more can be learned.

As a student concentrates more on specific information, two unfortunate results accrue. The first is that Yeshiva College is being looked upon as a great spewer of facts. Moral values take second place to the fact. An understanding of the fact and its relation to the totality of facts and to humans is not considered.

Secondly, as more and more time is spent learning specifics, of necessity, a student spends less time on the Jewish studies that would provide him with an understanding of the place of the Jew in society.

Instead of standing up to the trend, the administration seems to have surrendered to external influences that are secular in nature. A student who specializes in a science, for example, is not required to take enough courses to gain a broad liberal arts education. A new college building is being constructed while there are not enough seats to accommodate the students in the *beis midrash*. It is expected that the curriculum in the college will undergo evaluation, but none is planned for the morning divisions.

Even if I were told that improvements are contemplated, I maintain that if Yeshiva truly considered the inculcating of Judaic culture and Judaic values into its student body as a primary function, the current situation would not have been created.

Yeshiva should recognize that it is unique in not being a purely secular institution. Students choose Yeshiva over other institutions only to find that Yeshiva is trying its best to copy these colleges, trying to raise its secular standards, neglecting the religious.

Community Blamed

In part, at least, the materialistic attitude now present is due to factors operating upon Yeshiva from the Jewish community. Unfortunately, the Jewish community respects a doctor, lawyer, or engineer more than it does a rabbi. Study for the sake of study or for the betterment of the individual is mocked.

I blame Yeshiva for not standing up to the community and declaring that the future of the Jewish people will not be determined by its "professionals" but by its scholars. Yeshiva must choose between attempting to provide an Ivy League secular education and an Ivy League Jewish education whose purpose would be to train scholars who have a knowledge of our sacred books and, equally important, who live the ethics of Judaism. The financial pressure exerted by those who believe that Judaism equals a medical college and a graduate school of math must be resisted.

Impropriety Inculcated

In looking back upon the past disagreements between Student Council and the administration I find that, almost without exception, they are based upon a difference of opinion as to what is proper or ethical. For example, this year, when THE COMMENTATOR printed "With Malice Towards None," the uproar that ensued was not caused by the fact that the arguments that were advanced were refutable, but by the contention that it was not proper to bring out such an editorial, that the language was not proper, and that, in general, it was not in



proper taste. But did Yeshiva ever even attempt to teach its student body what is proper and what is not? A college student is still much the product of his instructors. If any impropriety by students occurs, the faculty must assume at least part of the blame.

For years the Student Council has asked for religious guidance only to be answered that religious guidance must come from inside the student and that this is some-

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Special Israel Report

Adolf Eichmann:

by Larry Halpern

Jerusalem, May 8, 1961:

They come back from the trial and walk slowly in the streets, not speaking with much animation until the shock wears off. Or they shout *bluthundi* in the auditorium and leave weeping, or sit with cold hands in lap, and express their pain with silence. Israel bears the burden of the Eichmann Trial in its fifth week and finds it a wearying one.

The glitter of the opening days that gilded the terrifying facts, and the early satisfaction in the knowledge that justice was being done — this has all gone. Many of the newsmen have left to cover Cuba or Laos, or other newsbreaks that carry more urgency. But here they still sit close to the radio and listen.

In the early days it was difficult to perceive the mood of the audience.

Now after Gideon Hausner's opening pleas, and as the eye witnesses stand up to tell of the early days of S.S. terrorism, and more recently of the ghetto situations and of the gory mass murders, a sadness, a tearful and gnawing sadness, wells forth. Numbers become people. Six million Jews disappear, and in their place twenty rabbis pray in the town square wrapped in *talcism* as gasoline is poured over the living



Larry Halpern

bodies; a child nursed by his mother gurgles with pleasure while the execution squads cock their rifles and send the hot bullets crashing into human flesh.

Those of us who have been at the trial or have read the daily reports are frustrated by our limitations. The stories come out in cold print, told in anguished tones by the witnesses who from time to time press trembling fingers to temple as if to reassure themselves of the life pulsating in their veins. And the words roll out, propelled by their own force. One man crawled out of the earth at moonlight from a mass grave that stank of lime and death to tell his story, a story that must be told, a story that can't be told.

I think back to the year 1943. Where was I when 40,000 heroes died in Warsaw? I was playing with a ball where flowers and grass grew. And I come to Jerusalem eighteen years later to hear of events that took place when my G-d was in His Heaven, and all was right with the world. And 1944 and 1945 — millions starved to the bone, and I'm in

short pants, still with my glass of milk for breakfast, when breakfast was a mockery.

Yet People Laugh

Six million. Six million. It would take me days to count up to six million, and a life time to call out all the names of those that perished. Just to hear the personal tragedies of several, exhausts my capacity to feel. Yet people walk the city streets and talk and laugh.

My anguish is that of a spectator, but what of those who escaped to Zion, and live to visit the death camp exhibits either here at *Yad V'shem* or on the north coast at *Lochamai Haghethot* and see the blurred picture of a missing brother or sister. And they take off a day from work to make a pilgrimage to the trial, children of the camps, not telling fretful husbands or wives of their voluntary return to the memories of hell. This has become commonplace here.

The judges sit in chambers too pleasant for the situation. *Beit Haam* is a playhouse, and its interiors reminds one of summer stock in New England. Soft, pastel, foam-rubber seats, colonial brick jutting out of the walls, knotty pine paneling the ceiling and sides. Blond walnut is the wood of the stage below where the trial takes place. So much wood is a luxury in a country where no forests grow. Eichmann sits comfortably off to the far left of the stage in his glass *t'ah* (hebrew for cage, the same word that is used for [gas] chamber) facing the witness stand on the far right with a map of Europe beyond it. And the world wags a finger at the way Eichmann had been treated. When it comes to world public opinion, the Israeli says, *Anu M'tzafzim Aleyhem* (we whistle on them). The letters that have been appearing in *Time Magazine*, or the one that appeared in the *New York Times* about the legality of the trial, etc. are worthy of such disdain. There comes a time when argument becomes absurd, and one feels that words are too kind. Just let them listen to a morning or afternoon session at the auditorium, and look at the pain and sorrow in the faces of the spectators.

On such days to speak of Adolf Eichmann by name is an undue courtesy, for it attributes to him human traits. To write about him and to spend money for his well-being is, as one Israeli journalist puts it, *goal nefesh*. To think that he falls within the domain of man's justice is almost humorous; to think that any humanly-conceived penalty can in some way fit his crimes is preposterous.

Yet people come to watch him, at first nervously looking out of the corner of their eyes, as if he were death and filth reincarnated, and too unholy for human gaze.

By now the world is bored by the articles that say he looks like a college professor and writes in a neat hand; they would have liked to see a visual monster so

that emotions would come with less effort.

Their Innocence Reeks

He doesn't seem to react at all. For he says he killed not with his hands, and that no single Nazi was responsible — not even Hitler, who could claim immunity as the head of a state in war. Their innocence reeks.

But this is an unusual trial, where the accusers undergo the ordeal, not the accused.

Israelis are proud and, more than other Jews, realize from their own contemporary history that Israel is a nation of fighters dating back to Shimon and Levi, Yehoshuah, and the Macabee. So they suffer hard when they hear, day-by-day, of the diabolical Nazi machine that methodically broke the spirit of rebellion by dispensing starvation rations, by breaking up family units, by setting up false hopes, and by stirring up latent anti-semitism among native populations. One of the two largest partisan forces, we are told, refused to aid refugees from the camps and the ghettos. But there is pride and reassurance in the fact the dam burst despite all this, and that in later years rebellions broke out in such ghettos as Warsaw, Cracow, and Radon, and that even Auschwitz had its underground.

Interest here in the trial has not flagged, for interest here was not merely wind-blown curiosity. There is no escapism here either. Rather there is a desire to assimilate the experiences of the holocaust, and to relay them to younger generations and to those in the East who never knew what happened in the Golah less than a generation ago. So they sit close to the radios when there is a broadcast, and send their children on trips to the holocaust exhibitions. The Army constantly speaks of the bravery of the Warsaw fighters, and *kibutzim* are named after the ghetto heroes. At the end of Nissan on the Day of the Remembrance of the Holocaust, sirens wail in mourning, cafes and theaters close down, and children keep moments of silence in their classrooms.

A certain national sadness is the by-product of this recent courageous refusal to accept the historical facts known as the Eichmann Trial, but daily life continues as normal in the Jewish State.

Dramatic Society's Rapid Rise Traced

by Murray Medalch

NAME: YESHIVA COLLEGE
DRAMATICS SOCIETY
ADDRESS: Yeshiva College
Student Council

CONCEIVED: Spring 1960
BORN: December 11, 1960, in a
seventeen inch snowfall
CONFIRMED: February 12,
1961

FATHER: William A. Zeitz
MOTHER: Melpomene and
Thalia

After the 1960 Dean's Reception the need for a working Dramatics Society became obvious. The three plays presented were not only poor artistically, but in many cases in poor taste. They seemed to hurt many members of the audience, rather than entertain them. With this in mind, the first Yeshiva College Dramatics Society since 1947 was formed under the leadership of William A. Zeitz. Rounding out his governing board were: Teddy Berman, vice president; Heshie Basch, financial secretary; Manny Wasserman, Dan Ziff, and Dave Zornick. Purpose: To improve the quality of the plays presented at the Dean's Reception.

Desire Decent Dramatics

The group, however, felt that there should be some interest in the field of dramatic art more than once a year, and that this interest should not be confined to rejoicing over the verbal annihilations of the faculty and administration. As a result, they decided to produce a play in the fall term. By this time, the original six members were joined by a seventh — me. The Broadway comedy hit, "No Time For Sergeants," was chosen to be the Society's first attempt at theatrics. The play was presented at Junior High School 71 on December 11, 1960. Despite a small audience, largely due to a seventeen inch snowfall, the play was a success. With renewed confidence, work began on the 1961 Dean's Reception.

Much planning and work on the part of the members of the Dramatic Society resulted in a Dean's Reception that left everyone, including Dean Bacon, very pleased. The plays were in good taste and of a far superior quality than the previous year's effort. The student body expressed its confidence in the Society with a very good turnout at its next production, the Freshman Play. The play was Herman Wouk's

"Caine Mutiny Court Martial." The result showed the class of '64 to have some excellent prospects, indicating a successful future for the YCDS.

Production Cancelled

The fourth and final production planned for this year was to be Jerome Lawrence and Robert



Vel Zeitz

E. Lee's powerful and stimulating drama, "Inherit the Wind." Unfortunately we had to cancel the production because it required a cast of 40 people.

What of next year?

We are planning to stage at least three productions next season. In addition to the traditional Dean's Reception and Freshman Play we are planning to produce a third play of our own. And we are not stopping our activities at that point. The Society is also planning to invite speakers to lecture on various aspects of the theater. A series of dramatic readings is also being planned for the coming academic year. We urge you to try out for the Society, since its success in the future is entirely up to the students.

During the late 30's and early 40's Yeshiva College had a Dramatic Society that was, in the words of one of our faculty members, "One of the most powerful extra-curricular activities in the school." With the help of G-d and the student body, the Yeshiva College Dramatics Society will again rise to a position of stature at this college.

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thing that the student must work out for himself. The fact that students were not working things out for themselves was perturbing but not perturbing enough to lead to action. The study body was left to "sink or swim" as far as religion goes.

Yeshiva boasts of its scholarship and fellowship winners, the percentage of graduates who go on to graduate schools, and the scores achieved on the Graduate Record Examination and other standard examinations. The "simpler" values of morality are never spoken about.

Glimmer of Hope

I was very heartened to learn that a Jewish Studies major was instituted at the college, though this is but a bone to a starving man. Fellowships for qualified students to study for the rabbinate were given but the amount offered by Yeshiva for these fellowships is not great enough to attract outstanding students who would otherwise enter other fields. I am very pleased to see, however, that the administration does realize that the tendency to specialize and digest facts has resulted in the creation of students unlearned in Jewish ethics.

I realize that many who read this article will claim that I am not enough of an authority on the subject of education to write about it. I don't claim to be an authority and have written this article as the little boy in *The*

Emperor's New Clothes who points out the simple truth that the emperor is unclothed after all the emperor's underlings had convinced him that he was clothed in royal finery.

Reanalysis Required

I maintain that the day that Yeshiva College inherits the tradition of respecting a person for his knowledge of facts as reflected by his college average, will be the day that Yeshiva will realize that it has inherited the wind.

A reanalysis of what type of individual Yeshiva wishes to produce should be made. Then the college and morning divisions should mold their curriculum to produce this type of person. Right now, the uncultured students, ignorant of the Judaic "philosophy of life," are in the majority. The specialists and fact devourers have taken over. Does Yeshiva want this?

Only after Yeshiva sets goals will Student Council be able to set its goals. Council does not wish to work at cross-purposes with the goals of the college.

Parting Words

This year I was privileged to work with outstanding colleagues, especially William Kantrowitz, Teddy Berman and Murray Lau-licht. I would also like to thank Dean Bacon for the cooperation which he gave Student Council this year. At times we disagreed but at all times discussions were amicable and with a view to-

wards arriving at an equitable solution to the problem at hand.

I am confident that Mr. Berman will be an outstanding President of Student Council, able to organize Student Council into an organ dedicated to serving the student body. I hope that administrators will treat Mr. Berman with the respect that I have been privileged to receive as the representative of the student body. I leave with optimism, not cynicism.

Evaluation Of RIETS Program, Attendance Undertaken By SOY

A questionnaire to evaluate the RIETS program and determine any deficiency in the curriculum is currently being distributed by the Student Organization of Yeshiva. The questionnaire is designed to reflect the attitudes and opinions of the Beis Medrash students.

The students were asked questions concerning the present *hash gacha*, *bechinot*, and attendance. The need for courses in ethics and Jewish Philosophy plus a student evaluation of the Chumash, Nach, and Halacha courses were among the issues covered.

The results of the survey will be reviewed by the executive council of SOY and will be discussed with the members of the faculty.

News Briefs

Leisure Time Study

To determine, among other things, the Yeshiva College student's study and reading habits and his leisure time activities, and other information, a questionnaire was distributed Wednesday, May 10. It was designed by Yeshiva College instructor, Professor Nathan Goldberg, chairman of the Department of Social Sciences, Assistant Professor Helmut Adler, chairman of the Department of Psychology, and Sidney Pleskin, associate professor of educational psychology and director of the Audio-Visual center.

Professor Goldberg expressed hope that a permanent fact-finding research bureau to investigate the student's habits, available time, and problems would be formed. The information obtained thereby could be used in such matters as programming, course instruction, and selecting and developing college sponsored events.

The survey, employing the captive audience techniques, included 75% of the student body.

Honorary Degrees Given

Dr. Barnaby C. Keeny, President of Brown University, will deliver the keynote address and receive an honorary Doctor of Laws degree at the Yeshiva University Commencement Exercises, to be held June 15 on the Dan-ciger Campus.

Honorary degrees will also be given to Dr. Deane Montgomery, Dr. Maurice Hexter, Dr. Joseph G. Cohen, Dr. Emanuel Rack-

man, and Dr. Jacob E. Goldman.

Dr. Montgomery, a professor of mathematics at the Institute of Advanced Study, Princeton New Jersey, Dr. Hexter, Executive Vice-President of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York, Dr. Cohen, former dean of City College of New York, will each receive the Doctor of Humane Letters honorary degree.

Dr. Rackman, Rabbi of Congregation Shaareh Tefillah in Far Rockaway, Long Island, will receive an Honorary Doctor of Divinity degree. Dr. Goldman, Associate Director at the Ford Motor Company Science Laboratories, will receive an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

YU Drive

Students attending Yeshiva College, Stern College, and two Yeshiva high schools have donated \$2000 towards the \$3500 goal of the annual Yeshiva University Drive, announced Morton Minchenberg '61 and Charles Maurer '62, co-chairmen of the drive.

The aim of the drive is to collect money for religious institutions in Israel, such as P'eylim, Chinuch Atzmai, and Yeshivat Bnei Akiba. The co-chairmen are asking each high school student to donate \$3.00 and each college student to contribute \$3.50. Last year's drive only collected \$2,700, a decrease of \$600 from the previous year.

Co-chairman Minchenberg stated that this year's goal can be

achieved only "if every student in Yeshiva University will contribute his share in fulfilling the mitzva of *zedakah*."

Position Filled

Dr. Sidney B. Hoening has been designated as the first recipient of the Dr. Pinkhas Churgin Memorial Chair in Jewish History, announced Dr. Samuel Belkin, President of Yeshiva. The chair was dedicated Sunday evening, April 30, at a dinner ceremony held in the Rubin Residence Hall.

Dr. Churgin, president of the Mizrahi Organization of America, and the founder of the National Council for Torah Education, was also president of the Bar-Ilan University in Israel. Prior to that, he was associated with Yeshiva University for more than three decades, serving as dean of the Teachers Institute for Men, professor of Jewish history and literature, and editor of *Horeb*, a semi-annual scholarly publication in Hebrew literature.

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IN PROSPECT

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the editor's column of *THE COMMENTATOR* is available. I hope this will continue to make the newspaper a true voice of all student opinion.

Extra-curricular activities have dominated my college career for almost three years, and even though it seems that little has changed as a result of my suggestions, every moment I worked for *Commie* has been well spent. I have learned more from this than from any professor, any lecture, and any class.

What course teaches you how to deal with people? What subject places upon you a burden of responsibility not only to yourself but also to others? What in this college or in any university trains you to handle this obligation successfully?

THE COMMENTATOR can teach you this!

Gained Confidence

If someone asks me to sum up in one word everything I have gained from *Commie* the word would be confidence — confidence when I write, confidence when I speak, and confidence when I deal with people more learned than myself.

At one time I feared interviewing an administrator, I shivered when I thought of writing for the public, I dreaded the thought of speaking before a large audience.

By being forced, by *Commie* editors to write, to speak, to think, to create and to interview, I destroyed these fears. This is what I gained and this is what anyone and everyone can and should gain.

Grateful for Guidance

All this didn't come easily and not without the help of many people. Everyone contributed a little but there are three without whose guidance I don't know what I would have done.

One Friday night four years ago, I met a proud man, proud of being a Yeshiva College student and proud of being the associate editor of *THE COMMENTATOR*.

He introduced me to the world of extracurricular activities at YC even before I graduated high school, and Manny Sternberg continues even now to be part of *Commie*.

Whenever I lost interest in Council or became disgusted with

in it, he fought for it, and he backed its decisions even if his personal opinions differed.

Whenever I was doubtful about certain issues I went to Hirsch and he explained all viewpoints. And even now, even after he no longer studies at YC, he maintains an active interest. This is a true president.

But of all the people I have known here at Yeshiva there is one who has directed my "progress" more than anyone. When I first joined the news staff, I worked under this tall guy who seemed to be a perfectionist. Every word, every sentence, every paragraph had to be perfect if it was to be printed. He worried about style and punctuation. Murray Lau-licht even told me to take penmanship lessons. At first I hated him for butchering my beautiful articles, but I then realized that my beautiful articles were dead from the start. He taught me how to write news, features, and edits, and I hope I've learned well.

"Almost Always" Agreed

We discussed Council policy and agreed almost always, except on policy issues concerning Co-op, segregation, the loyalty oath, and the advisor — small issues, but interesting.

However, Murray and I tried to prove something to each other. I attempted to make him a realist and it seemed that his only wish was to convert me to an idealist. We have an appointment in front of the Israeli flag at the United Nations in New York, on UN Day 1960 to finish this discussion.

I'll miss "Lau" when he leaves in June, but I have his telephone number, and in case I need help I'm sure he'll be there.

I have learned a lot in the past years from these three, and I hope I do not fail them now.

I will need help — help from the Governing Board, the Associate Board, the staffs, and from every student; but I promise I will try my darndest to turn out a newspaper of which we will all be proud.

Delegates To SOY Resign

Representatives of three shiurim announced their withdrawal from the Student Organization of Yeshiva Monday, May 8.

"This action is a protest against the fact that the SOY is at present composed of representatives from the college and high school classes," stated Murray Mednick '62, representative of Rabbi Steinberg's shiur. "The high school delegates control thirty-two votes as compared to the college representatives' twenty-six. This allows the high school to legislate to the college, as evidenced in last year's resolution to have written examinations in place of oral ones, contrary to the wishes of the college delegates."

At previous meetings the high school representatives were offered two proposals to create their own council, but the suggestions were defeated.



Benny Hirsch

college life, Manny was always there to talk to. He is a friend I can never forget. He taught me to never give up, to never admit defeat.

"Mr. Chair"

I don't know what the heck I can say about Benny Hirsch. At Council meetings he was jokingly called "Mr. Chair," but now that I think about it, that was the correct title. Student Council was personified in Benny. He believed

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and I was reassured that my year would be successful if it followed on an intellectual, rather than a brow-beating line of attack.

This high-level motif was continued in our next issue (which contained an article by Dr. Leon Stitskin and a brilliant review by Herb Bloom of "The Dybbuk") with the exception of an editorial concerning the proposed abolition of the Faculty-Student Examinations Committee.

If some of the reactions to Mr. Felman's article had created certain misgivings in my mind, my worst fears were quickly confirmed the moment that I entered Dr. Bacon's office to discuss this issue. The Dean told me that he had been deeply hurt by this editorial and stated that he was of the opinion that the viewpoint of the student body had been placed in jeopardy by its publication.

One statement in particular seemed to have offended the Dean and, according to him, certain members of the faculty. This statement read, "We believe that the present is as good a time as any to begin joint student-faculty negotiations on these problems" (e.g., long-range problems such as the reasoning that is to motivate testing, establishment of some sort of honor system, etc.).

The objections were based upon two contentions. First, the students were not the proper party to dictate examination procedures to the faculty (this, despite the indisputable reply in that very same edit that we did not regard membership in the Examinations Committee as a right of the student body, but rather as a privilege extended to us by the faculty in recognition of a Student Council resolution of October 1959 calling for administrative action aimed at curbing unethical practices during exams).

The second contention raised by some of the faculty was the use of the word "negotiations." This word connotes, to this segment of our mentors, a labor-management type of affair where opponents and ideologies are clearly demarcated, and one can be certain that there will be recurring black-and-white clashes. This word was then said to denote the attitude of the student body towards the Examinations Committee — an attitude of trying to wring all we can out of a benevolent, paternal faculty.

The refutation of this argument, that the committee in its first year of existence had been a paragon of mutual concessions and compromises, was flagrantly disregarded, and the faculty then voted unanimously to deprive student representatives of their status as full members of the committee.

Thus, I was awakened from my reverie, and the hard facts of life were painfully brought home. I learned quickly how tenaciously the administration and faculty would cling to specious arguments and the semantic insertion of elephants through the eyes of needles. I realized that unless these

men would agree to accept some definition of items and rules of logic, nothing would be accomplished. I also found out that if these men disagreed *a priori* with our viewpoint they would not bother considering our approach squarely, but rather would search for some loophole or technicality, even if it be the questionable connotation of a word, upon which to reach their foregone conclusions.

Shortly thereafter, the Governing Board voted to embark upon a courageous crusade aimed at bettering conditions in the undergraduate religious divisions.

The Governing Board went to great lengths to demonstrate that there was a severe disparity between the religious ideals of Yeshiva University and the religious observance of its students. Some

which to base its defense of the decaying religious divisions.

The administration was aghast (this is a comparatively mild term) at our use of the expression "physical contact." They promulgated the notion that these words implied sexual intercourse and relentlessly refused to argue or discuss anything but the meaning of this idiom and the punishment to be exacted from the Governing Board.

In defense of this term, may I state that it was interesting to note that the supposedly "liberal" college professors knew exactly what we meant, while their counterparts in the religious divisions, with all the holiness of their thoughts, were the men who felt that "physical contact" meant sexual intercourse.

Let me further state that even

2. threatened to impose a censor upon THE COMMENTATOR.

3. refused to bring whatever grievances it had before the duly-appointed Faculty-Student Judiciary Committee.

4. threatened the entire Governing Board with summary expulsion.

Sections of the Fleisher Report explicitly enjoining the administration from taking any of these actions were simply thrown out—no questions asked. The lip service that had been paid by the Dean to the ideals of a free press was forgotten. When we asked to see the President so that we could discuss the status of the Fleisher Report, as well as his position on the problems posed by the edit, we were told in no uncertain terms that Dr. Belkin was far too angry to see anyone.

The progress that has been made since the publication of the edit has been far short of what we had expected. However, all we can do at present is sit tight and wait for the improvements that have been promised to us, by September.

From what I have learned of the various administrative officials during discussions of "With Malice Towards None," from my view of their method of argumentation and their self-centered sanctity, I can state honestly that I have absolutely no confidence in the ultimate success of Yeshiva University as an experimental fusion of the religious and the secular.

While I cannot gainsay the tremendous strides made by the college since the appointment of Dean Bacon, his administration has virtually assured the triumph of the University over the Yeshiva — a victory which places the Einstein College of Medicine, the Graduate School of Education, and the Department of Public Relations cozily together into a laurel wreath.

This institution was not founded seventy-five years ago so that religious boys with 3.3 and 3.4 averages would be rejected by the only medical school which does not require attendance on Saturday or Jewish holidays.

Neither was this University founded so that its Graduate School of Education could be scandalized on the front page of The New York Times.

Yet, such are the policies of the various University administrative officials that any person who would cry out against these practices is immediately silenced on the grounds that damage will be done to Yeshiva's image.

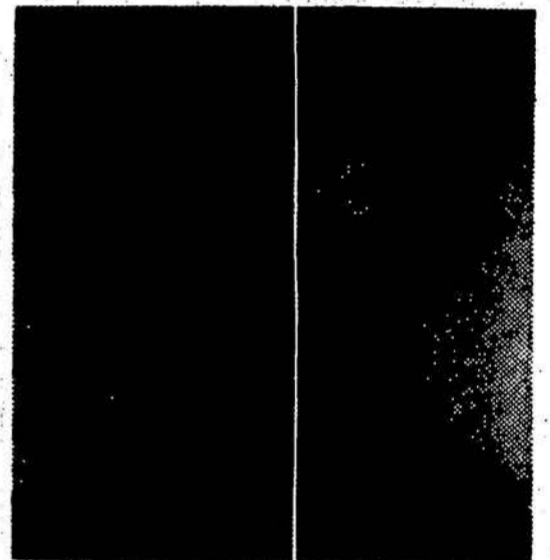
Four years ago, I chose to come to Yeshiva rather than to other schools which it tries to imitate, so that I might further both my religious and secular educations.

I came to Yeshiva looking for something and I am still searching for it. I wanted to discover some of the profundity, meaning, and beauty of my religion while also pursuing a collegiate course of study. I got my college education, all right — and chances are that future students will be provided with a "better" one.

But what about our religious convictions? Do we just let them disintegrate? Do we complain and then get kicked in the teeth for our efforts? Where do we go for our answers? How long must we wait until Yeshiva realizes that it must either provide an adequate double program or else abandon its efforts that have produced a mock program in which the equilibrium is destroyed by the supremacy of the purely secular way of life which we had hoped to avoid?

An honest administration would not have needed a group of college students to notify it that while the tree is lush and verdant its roots may have nevertheless withered. An honest administration would have stopped at nothing to assure the development of a healthy, well-informed, attachment to the Torah way of life.

I submit that there are two considerations which prompt Yeshiva to forego changes that would rectify the aforementioned situation. First, Yeshiva, in order to protect its "image," cannot ad-



mit that there is something lacking within its programs. Second, Yeshiva refuses to take the lead in establishing an approach to the problems of college youth geared to the American, rather than the European community.

The two are so hopelessly intertwined that an administrator says openly that Yeshiva cannot provide religious guidance because more right-wing schools don't.

I wonder how much time will be required until our administration recants its policy of playing "hide and go seek" with the problems besetting it. Sooner or later the truth will out. Studies, honest ones, will be made of the activities of Yeshiva's alumni and the effect that the religious programs had upon them.

I submit that even if the administration were to succeed in stifling the voice of the student body, it still will not be able to go on fooling its public by professing great concern with religious studies while expanding every other phase of the University's operation.

Finally, I would like to thank the many people whose aid was so instrumental in my maintaining some semblance of sanity. Unfortunately, I've rambled on too much already, and for fear of leaving out some names, I will mention none of them. I am sure that these people are well aware of my sincere thankfulness and appreciation.

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of us had been present at a Student Council tea with Dr. Belkin, at which time the President refused to believe that there are students here who do not wear *tephillin* every day and, consequently, there was no need for the establishment of a religious guidance program.

We therefore felt that before the administration would listen to a plea for religious guidance we would have to dispell their official pronouncements that all was well in this sphere.

After presenting these problems we went on to delineate definite measures which we believed would aid in correcting the situation. We wanted our criticism to be constructive, we wanted results, and we were out to leave no loopholes and no room for faculty counter-arguments.

We failed dismally. Though the edit had been rewritten more than a dozen times, the administration found its loophole — its easy way out. From the more than 2500 words in that editorial the administration selected just two on

when Kinsey used the term physical contact in his questionnaires, there was no misunderstanding as to its meaning or implications. Even in the context of all forms of perversity and immorality, the meaning of "physical contact" is unmistakable. How can its meaning be questioned within the context of an article calling for religious guidance and courses in Jewish ethics?

The turmoil that followed publication of "With Malice Towards None" is familiar to anyone who is close to Yeshiva or THE COMMENTATOR. In addition to their scholarly play on words, the administration, using all the resources at its disposal, suddenly nullified the College Student Activities Regulations and turned three years of rigorous work into a counterfeit piece of paper.

In clear violation of these regulations the administration:

1. threatened to severely limit the editorial scope of THE COMMENTATOR.

Critic Sees "The Best Man", Interviews Frank Lovejoy

by Alan Shapiro

Every critic, especially a novice like this writer is supposed to display his great wit by tearing apart any play he has seen. "The Best Man" by G. Videl, however, defies criticism and repels any verbal onslaught.

Briefly, the plot of "The Best Man" is the inside story of a political campaign to receive the



party nomination for the presidency of the United States. It stars Frank Lovejoy as one candidate, Hugh Franklin as the second, and Lee Tracy as the former president. The play is extremely humorous and is loaded with political insults and wisecracks.

The ending of the show comes as a surprise, for the candidate whom we thought would win does not. Yet one of the losing candidates, who shows a high moral integrity and bases his campaign on issues rather than on smiling, is actually the hero. He is the one we picture as "The Best Man."

As the curtain closed for the final time last night and the rest of the audience left, satisfied, I still felt that something was missing. Determined to rectify this situation, I marched to the stage door, entered the holy ground called backstage, and, after a few minor delays caused by guards who refused to believe that I was a representative of the press and pretended never to have heard of Yeshiva, reached Frank Lovejoy's dressing room.

Mr. Lovejoy was in, and after presenting my credentials, so was I. He consented to an interview

Congratulations

THE COMMENTATOR extends its heartiest congratulations to the following couples on their recent engagements:

Richard Barth '61 to Renee Avrutick.

Ronald Burke '61 to Eileen Kudish.

Joseph Book '56 to Rosalyn Berman.

as if I had only asked for a match. As I sat down, I was suddenly aware that I had prepared no questions. Perhaps it was Mr. Lovejoy's candor — I don't know what it was — that told me I couldn't bluff my way through his interview with a lot of stupid questions. I wasn't a gushing admirer of his, nor would I pretend to be. I therefore began by telling the star that this interview was likely to be different from any other he had had. I explained that I came prepared with no questions, no format, etc. but that during the show I had simply decided I wanted to speak with him. Whatever he wanted to discuss would be fine with me. Somehow, reversing this statement, he caused me to assume the offensive. Logically, it seemed that the best topic at the moment was the play I had just seen.

"Mr. Lovejoy, do you feel that any of the characters in the play were take-offs on living politicians?"

The type of character he portrayed seemed to fit the self-made, stop-at-nothing, bar-no-

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Victory Celebrations Drowned While A Dorm Gets Doused

by Jason Rosenblatt

Many parties were held this week to commemorate the election of various school officers. Anyone who arrived early but left soon afterwards saw nothing memorable.

The parties started off in a most ordinary manner; people were seen eating, drinking, and talking quietly. Only the attire of the guests of honor provoked some suspicion; the elected officials stood in bathing trunks, tee shirts, and tennis shoes. They looked as if they were waiting for something to happen.

When the party was about forty-five minutes old, events occurred which made the evening a whopping success.

Someone grabbed a bucket of remnants from an old German party and threw it on the editor-in-chief of THE COMMENTATOR. At this moment the crowd came to life and people could easily be divided into two distinct groups — the drenched and the drenchers.

The strangest sight of the evening is always the face of the at-

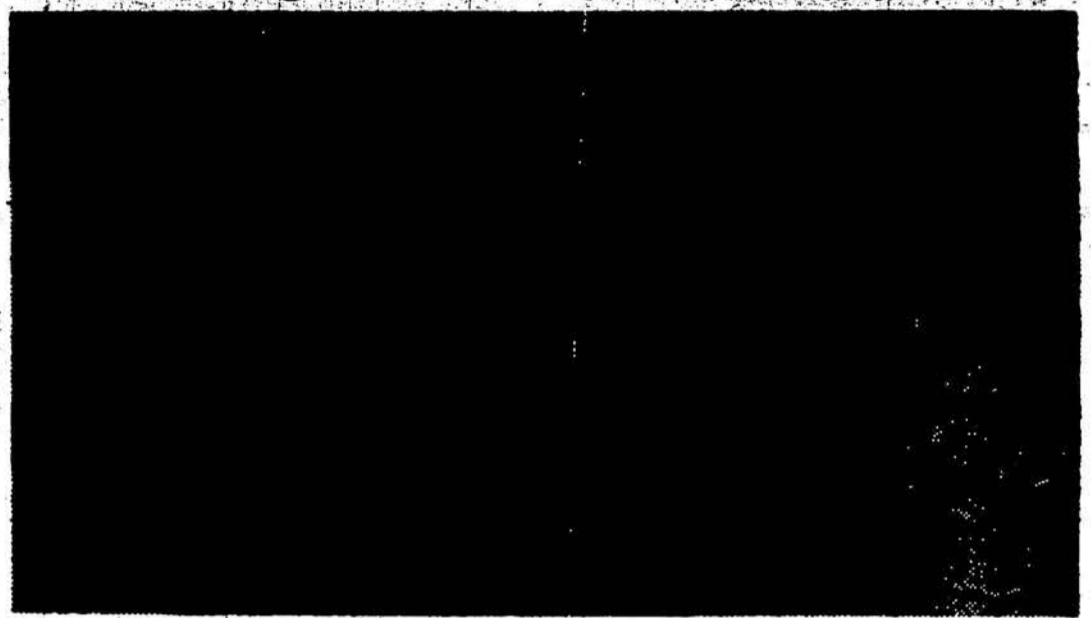
tacker, just before he lets fly with a bucket of water. He realizes that all rules of politeness are held in abeyance, and he is free to soak the person in front of him.

He knows, however, that in spite of the freedom given him there is something wrong in what he is about to do. This mental anguish contorts his face, and he appears all the more formidable to his victim.

The saddest sight of the eve-

forlorn expression, as if he has been neglected. Apparently, he has not been recognized as an important member of the college community, since no one has deemed him worthy of a beer in the face. He marches unwaveringly to the thick of battle and hopefully waits to be doused.

Once the victorious ones have been completely soaked and have begun to shiver uncontrollably, the drenchers happily move on to



ning is the face of the elected officer who is still dry. He wears a

bigger and better things. The rooms of the winners are broken into, and the floors receive a thorough washing. The little elves in the new dorm who clean out the floors and the students every week were never so meticulous.

Strangely enough, the greatest peace restorer, serving to tranquilize the many lives of the party, is the liquid itself. The damage-doers absorb such vast quantities of the stuff that sleep soon overtakes them, and they must leave their mission of destruction only half completed.

The best thing about the party is that next day every student can recognize the newly-elected school officials. They are easily discernable — the most exhausted students with the worst colds.

The Professor Exposed

Rabbi Irving "Yitz" Greenberg

by Irving Green

A common complaint leveled against our professors is that they don't understand the nature of the yeshiva bachur. They never had the difficult problem of adjustment facing those of us living in a dichotomy of values. How many of our instructors ever felt themselves torn between the secular and Hebrew worlds and their corresponding values?

Are these problems peculiar to the Yeshiva College student? Do they necessarily reflect a special inbreeding to be found only in this citadel of synthesis?

Rabbi Irving Greenberg has put your reporter's mind at ease. These problems aren't solely ours. He also faced them as a student, but on the metropolitan campus of Brooklyn College.

Mussar's Indelible Impression

Graduation from high school found Rabbi Greenberg in a predicament. "I felt a lack of depth in my understanding of Judaism. There was a lot to be desired of my religious convictions."

"What was I to do? Where was I to go?"

"I had heard of a yeshiva in Boro Park and decided to look into its possibilities."

One evening accompanied by his father, our mentor found his way to Yeshiva Beth Joseph. Seating himself at an empty table he proceeded to study. All of a sudden someone called for order and everyone opened his *Mussar Sefer*.

"This first contact with the yeshiva and its Mussar philosophy had a powerful emotional impact on me. I found my answer in the

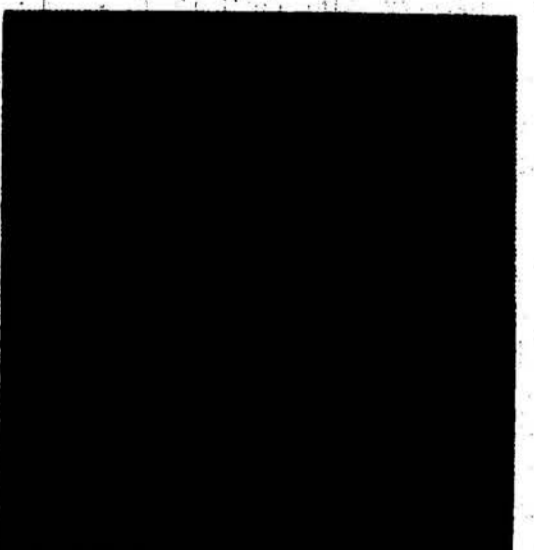
Mussar movement. Here in a European-type school I found an atmosphere charged with fire and emotion, which knocked me off my feet and left in its wake an indelible impression on my mind."

Needless to say, Rabbi Greenberg stayed on to receive his rabbinical ordination from the yeshiva and his sheepskin from conveniently located Brooklyn College.

Historical Perspective

With a bachelors degree in one pocket and a fellowship in the other, Rabbi Greenberg went to study intellectual history at Harvard University.

"The challenge of the secular



Rabbi Irving Greenberg

world forces us to reevaluate religion. It leads us on to try and get a close look at Judaism in an historical perspective which is so important for its understanding."

Harvard provided a fertile field for intellectual stimulation which made further research possible. After completion of his doctoral course of study five years later and another year on a travelling fellowship, Rabbi Greenberg

sought out a position which would enable him to finish his thesis and support his bride.

The post of Hillel director at Brandeis University provided the answer. To Rabbi Greenberg it was a twenty-four hour a day, seven day a week job, which was both challenging and demanding, exhausting, and sometimes frustrating. In his year at Brandeis he realized the importance of educating the Jewish youth and imbuing in him a love for Judaism accompanied by a proper understanding of its traditions. It also showed him that the year had brought him no closer to the completion of his doctoral thesis. When a call from Dean Guterman was forthcoming, the Greenbergs decided to move back to New York.

"The two years at Yeshiva have convinced me of the wisdom of my choice!"

"I view Yeshiva University in its complete instrumentation to be the American Jewish Community's answer to what a yeshiva should be. It is imperative that the American youth look at Judaism as a living alternative, not as a habit or mechanical performance."

What has happened since his coming to Yeshiva is a matter of record. In his two years here our teacher has earned the respect and admiration of everyone who has come in contact with him. This year's Senior Award is just a token of the esteem in which he is held.

It's much too early for us to

Law Schools Try To Test Writing Skills

A change in the Law School Admission Test, required or recommended for admission to every law school in the United States, will go into effect in November 1961, announced Professor Morris Silverman, advisor to pre-law students of Yeshiva College.

Beginning at that time, the examination will include an 80-minute test of writing ability and a 60-minute test designed to measure the candidate's general knowledge of the humanities, the natural sciences, and the social sciences. Previously, the LSAT consisted only of examinations such as Reading Comprehension, Application of Legal Principles, and English Grammar.

"These additions have been recommended so that law schools will be ensured that the entering students are reasonably competent in writing skills and have an informed awareness of the world around them and its relation to the past," Professor Silverman stated.

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ACROSS FROM YESHIVA

Mr. F. Lovejoy Discusses The Desire To Perform, Appraises Drama Critics

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blows, hit-below-the-belt, dirty political image. I was assured that regardless of his personal political convictions, Mr. Lovejoy would take no part in a play that seemed slanderous. Proof of the play's innocence is that it came under no official criticism during the recent Presidential elections. Mr. Lovejoy remarked that after one performance, someone came backstage and told him that it was the best take-off on Hubert Humphrey he had ever seen. Apparently, the star added, this person disliked Hubert Humphrey. With an insight into human nature that characterized him during the entire interview, Mr. Lovejoy said that he assumed people saw in the character he portrayed whoever they thought was a dirty politician. Perhaps this is why I innocently thought of Nixon.

Did the fact that this was a political play mean anything special to Mr. Lovejoy? He replied that the show's political aspects meant nothing to him. He enjoyed portraying this character only because it afforded him the opportunity to do some heavy acting. Mr. Lovejoy believes he has been extremely fortunate in his career. I was told that Actor's Equity has over 30,000 members, and that at the height of the Broadway season there are usually no more than 800 actors on stage. Thus one is indeed fortunate to acquire a lead role.

Mr. Lovejoy feels he is also lucky in the choice of a career. How many jobs are both fun and well-paying? An actor is among the luckiest adults in America — who else can play games and not only be laughed at, but actually admired. (I feel that I must, at this point, state that all views and opinions expressed herein and not credited to a specific person are mine, but have been colored by my interview with Mr. Lovejoy.)

"No actors, nor anyone else for that matter, should attempt to influence a person's career in the theater," stated Mr. Lovejoy in response to my query. One enters the theater because one cannot help himself. No one in his right mind would become an actor for money — the odds against his success are too great. One becomes an actor because he has the inner need for expression, the desire to perform, the craving for publicity that can be satisfied best by appearing each evening before hundreds of people and involving them in his little game. One could do much worse, in a world where so many more great minds devote themselves to the perfection of the means of annihilation rather than helping people forget their problems for an evening.

Mr. Lovejoy explained that an actor's relation to the script is not the same as the historian's relation to the facts of history. Whereas history is an *interaction* of the histories and the facts, producing a different picture for each historian, acting can not be an interaction. An actor must portray a role as the author intended it to be portrayed. Imagine Hamlet as a fat kid!

Mr. Lovejoy was not the least bit critical of critics. To my surprise, he told me that he feels the major professional critics do a fine and conscientious job. He noted that they are aware of their power to kill a play and hence are extremely careful in their criticisms. They are quick to praise, and slow to condemn. The major fault he finds in critics is that they blame an actor for faults in the script.

After speaking with Mr. Lovejoy one can well believe that a person so natural once he has left the stage must treat his profession without glamour at home.

This must be difficult for a man who has not only been one of TV's and Hollywood's most popular performers, but also radio's most highly paid dramatic star. It would be difficult indeed to list the more than 5,000 network programs that Mr. Lovejoy has appeared in. His television experience includes his "Meet McGraw" series and his performances on Playhouse 90, the Loretta Young show, Four Star Playhouse, U. S. Steel Hour, and many spectaculars.

It seems no coincidence to me that the star of "The Best Man" should be such a fine person. I would recommend to anyone this show unequivocally on its own merits, yet even if the script itself were poor, Frank Lovejoy's performance is reason enough for anyone to spend an evening in the audience.

Espresso House Is Hunkey Dorey

The campus coffee house has long been a haven for students, a place in which ideas are exchanged. At any hour of the day, people can be seen huddling intently over a chess board or engaged in a dispute about an idea recently expressed in the classroom. It was particularly disturbing, therefore, to hear it rumored that Yeshiva's own stronghold of intellectual activity might be taken away.

The employees at this establishment were reported to have been looking elsewhere for work. One of them, an exchange student proficient in Hebrew grammar, was said to have been offered a job on the faculty.

The purpose of this column is to reassure the reader that in spite of the transference of ownership, the cafe's policies will be unchanged. One can still sit at the same cozy tables, kept spotlessly clean by smiling waiters who gracefully remove excess plates. Orders will be picked up as efficiently as ever, and the food will retain that same distinctive taste.

The new owner reassured this writer that all will be done to please. As an added attraction, the establishment will be given a Hebrew name, "Tov M'od". Whatever its official name, the coffee house will always be Hunkey Dory to us. J.R.

Open Road Club Plans Bike Trips, Minyan and Hikes

by Zev Loffer

A strange transformation is taking place in a segment of the Yeshiva student body. Color is returning to pallid cheeks, muscles unused for months are signalling their return to life, and smoke-filled lungs are clearing.

The cause of this mysterious transformation? The Open Road Club is taking to the open road. Its members, courageous enough to remain out of doors a little longer than the time it takes to cross from the main building to the cafeteria, have wandered as far as the Palisades.

Others who wish to experience this transformation but don't like trekking through the underbrush can still take to the open road by bicycle. The club will, with money allocated by Student Council, buy bicycles at the next police auction, June 15. These will be available for both group and private bike trips.

Not to be accused of concentrating solely on the physical and mental, the Open Road Club concentrates on the spiritual as well. It accomplished this with a *Hashkama Minyan* convening at 5:10 A.M., Rosh Chodesh Sivan. The *Minyan* watched the rising sun light and let their *T'filos* rise with the sun, a spiritually rewarding experience.

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Princeton vs. Yeshiva C. Green vs. Blue & White

by A. Neumann

"Going back, going back, going back to Nassau Hall." These are the lyrics to a chant which I first heard two weeks ago. They are not words of literary merit, and the melody of the chant is far from haunting; yet I found my body experiencing a definite physiological change when my best friend sang to me. I was turning green . . . green with envy. I was firmly convinced that green would soon replace Yeshiva's blue and white as the color to accompany me through the next four years. My friend is a Princeton man; I am a Yeshiva University man.

After rationally analyzing the cause of my condition, however, my envy began to leave me, and I realized that I had made the right decision by coming to Yeshiva instead of to a completely secular institution. Here I am continuing the study of my religion in a Yeshiva while receiving a college education at an accredited institution.

In spite of the realization that many definite assets come with being a Yeshiva University student, I sometimes found myself thinking thoughts which border on blasphemy. For example, I grew angry with the generous contributors to this institution simply because their names are not "collegiate." I found it difficult to stroll by Sadie Danziger's campus, walk into the Lipschutz-Gutwirth study hall of the Leah and Joseph Rubin Residence Hall, and go up to my room which was donated by Samuel and Ida Gittelman. Never will I live in Pyne Hall, nor will I walk in Smith Quad.

I rode with my friend on a train, and he wore a blazer with the Princeton seal emblazoned upon it. The blazer served a purpose, for many heads, including one especially pretty head, gazed with admiration upon my friend

Professor Exposed . . .

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say if Dr. Greenberg has or will accomplish the goals he has set for himself. Two years at Yeshiva can do much to convince anyone that the answers to its many problems aren't easy to solve. Nor does the future always look so promising. But as I sat facing him, I could not help but feel that the light of Torah and the future of Judaism will forever burn as long as there are "Yitz" Greenberg's to care about it.

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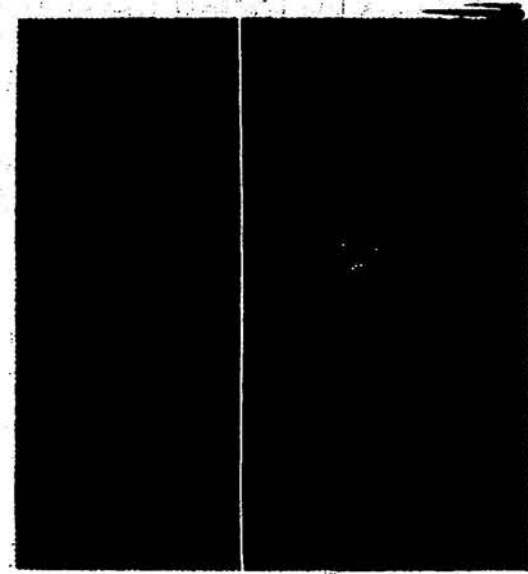
and his emblem. The Yeshiva seal would also serve a definite purpose if I were to wear it in New York. It would enable me to be thoroughly mutilated by a teenage gang.

The fear that he is missing something probably strikes every freshman who has been confronted with the choice of either a college's campus atmosphere or Yeshiva's atmosphere. The thoughts which I have mentioned hit me during my early days here, but they have gone away. This fear will continue to plague incoming freshmen at this school for many years to come, and nothing will be able to prevent it. After a little while they will come to realize, as I did, that it makes as much sense to live for Yeshiva University as to die for dear old Princeton.

Spotlighted:

Bernie Kaplan

The co-captain of this year's tennis team is a personable man of varied interests and activities. Besides playing number one position on the tennis team, Kaplan, a senior, represented the YU Debating Society on its southern tour. He has also served as managing editor of THE COMMENTATOR, on the Masmid history staff, in his class's Dean's Reception play, and in other school activities.



Bernie hails from Far Rockaway, where he has lived almost all his life. His junior year was spent at the Hebrew University and the Machon Chaim Greenberg in Israel. "Traveling through Europe and Israel," he says, "has greatly increased my awareness of and acquaintance with different cultures." In addition to speaking Hebrew fluently, Bernie "picked up" Spanish while living with South American Jews at the machon in Israel. Naturally, his favorite hobby is now languages. He has studied French, German, and Latin and is even endeavoring to learn Italian on his own. A Hebrew major at YC, Bernie is also graduating from TI this June.

Kaplan, the vice-president of the Mizrahi Hatzair, plans to enter the business world after graduation.

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Spring Clinic Helps Rebuild YU Cagers

by Stu Berman

After a lackluster basketball season on the YU campus, one must look to the future, and Head Coach Bernie "Red" Sarachek is doing just that in the form of a spring clinic. The past season showed lack of depth and experience to be the main sore spot on the varsity. In fact, was overheard in the stands was: "We may not have gone to the N.I.T. but we should've gone to the Golden Gloves."

On the brighter side, a fine core of "best ever" freshmen, namely Bob "Suitcase" Podhurst, Ken Jacobson, and Art Aaron are progressing rapidly. Particularly impressive is Podhurst who has also been concentrating on weightlifting under the watchful eye of trainer Bob Gill. To this nucleus add junior Shelly Weider, a "good field, no hit" backcourt man, who is perfecting his jump shot.

Then there is the omnipresent Sam Grossman. The big news regarding Sammy centers about his

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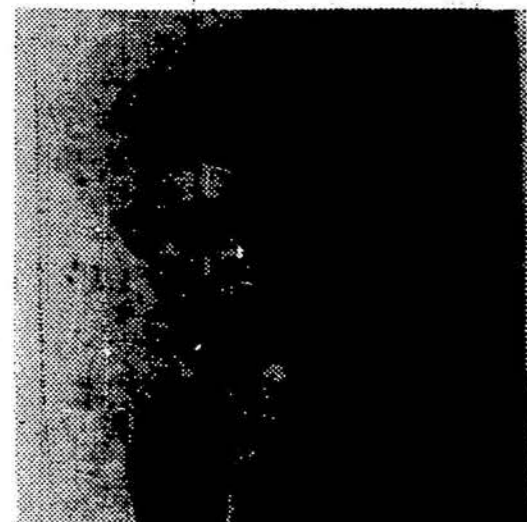
Morty Minchenberg

by Jerry Schreck

When not maneuvering his chess pieces into strategic positions, Morty Minchenberg '61 is probably absorbed in one of the many projects which he either directs or takes some part in. As captain of Yeshiva's "A" Chess team, Morty devotes enormous energy to advising and encouraging his fellow team members.

Aside from his keen interest in chess, Morty nurtures an even stronger interest in the field of history and international relations. Majoring in history, he reads all that comes into his sight, from books on ancient Rome to treatises on modern diplomacy. Morty is also president of the Yeshiva College International Relations Society, a position he thoroughly enjoys to work at.

This likable and sincere Chaim Berlin graduate engages in worthwhile charitable endeavors. He has contributed his time and effort unselfishly as chairman of the YU Charity Drive. He has also distinguished himself as a member



of the Student-Faculty Judiciary Committee.

After graduating Mr. Minchenberg will continue with his studies at RIETS while studying for the rabbinate. He will also do graduate study in education, specializing in history.

selection to the U. S. cage team, which will compete in the 1961 International Maccabiad Games in Israel this summer.

Conspicuously missing from the spring clinic is senior Gary Baum whose hustle and spirit sparked an otherwise nondescript season. The "Big Boim" will be sorely missed in these parts next year.

From the metropolitan H. S. squads have come a wave of candidates. Best bets to stick are Jay Garsman, a classy ball handler from Jamaica, L. I., and Julian "Boo Boo" Levine from Brooklyn, a boy with an unbelievable jump shot. This new crop exemplifies what Coach Sarachek has been striving for — academic excellence and athletic ability.

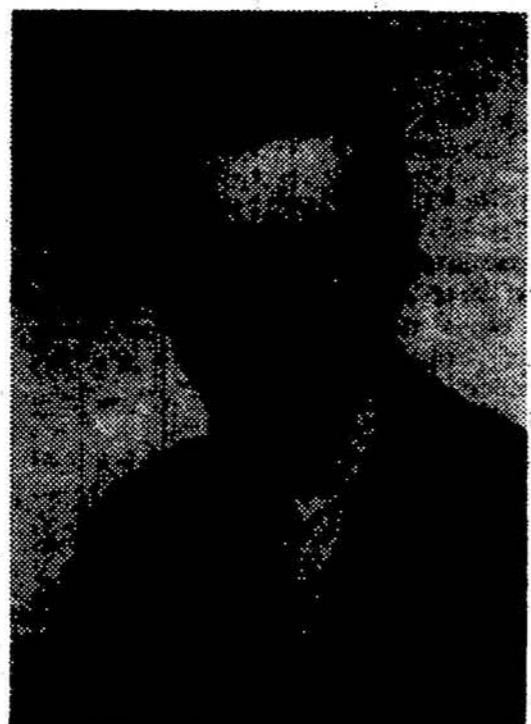
Spotlighted:

Daniel Frimmer

by Jerry Schreck

Daniel Frimmer '61, captain and three year veteran of Yeshiva's tennis team, possesses the right amounts of determination, know-how, and congeniality that make for a successful, well-liked, and all-around student and athlete.

Danny, a graduate of YUHSB and former member of its varsity basketball squad, plays a consistent game of tennis for the Blue and White. A quick and varied



service is one of his court assets that has brought him well-earned victories.

Regarding the team's performances in the past and the future, Danny has this to say: "The team can better its record considerably if the school would convert a section of the Danziger Campus into three tennis courts. Practice sessions could be increased in length and in periodicity."

Danny still finds time to combine his athletic activities with the literary creativity side of it by holding the position of sports editor of *Masmid*. He is also National Treasurer of the Yavneh Society and spends much of his time assessing their budget. Some of Danny's more refined pursuits include theater-going and avid reading.

A pre-med major, Frimmer will attend Downstate Medical School in the fall.

Juniors Triumph; Win 2 Intramural Volleyball Games

Winning two out of three volleyball sets, the Juniors defeated the frosh 21-8 and 21-15 to quickly gain a first place berth. Although being represented by only four men instead of the regular six, the Juniors battled doggedly and displayed good coordination. Daniel Fingerer '62, co-captain, and Sam Vogel '62 led their team with a "volley of points," slamming the ball where their opponents weren't.

Volley Ball

7 P.M. May 11—Seniors vs. Sophs
7 P.M. May 18—Juniors vs. Winner of May 11 game

Ping Pong

7 P.M. May 16—Semifinals
7 P.M. May 23—Finals

Intra-Division Basketball

9:30 May 11—Semicha vs. J.S.P.

9:30 May 19—REITS vs. TI

9:30 May 25—Championship

College Intramurals (Basketball)

9 A.M. May 16—Semi-Finals

9 A.M. May 23—Finals

7:00 P.M. May 18—Semi-Finals

7:00 P.M. May 25—Championship

The four junior team members are Sam Vogel, Sam Klein, Allen Powers, and Danny Fingerer. The frosh team is comprised of Perry Garber, Phillip Goldenberg, Steven Prystowsky, and Kalman Hartstein.

Professor Wettstein is conducting the tournament.

Semicha	fg	ft	tp	pf
Hirt	1	1	3	3
Frankel	5	1	11	3
Weiss	0	1	1	1
Green	0	0	0	3
Wilkin	3	8	14	0
Schreiber	4	0	8	2
Rosenbaum	0	0	0	3
TOTALS	13	11	37	15

JSP	fg	ft	tp	pf
Lehrer	6	8	20	5
Pincus	4	0	8	5
Douglas	2	0	4	2
Tillman	0	0	0	0
Koppel	0	0	0	0
Hershenfeld	2	4	8	4
Eitinger	1	0	2	2
TOTALS	15	12	42	18

Sophs, Juniors Lose; Fruchter High Scorer

Paced by the accurate shooting of Moish Siev and Sammy Borenstein, the freshman class edged the juniors 38-36 in a basketball intramural game played May 2.

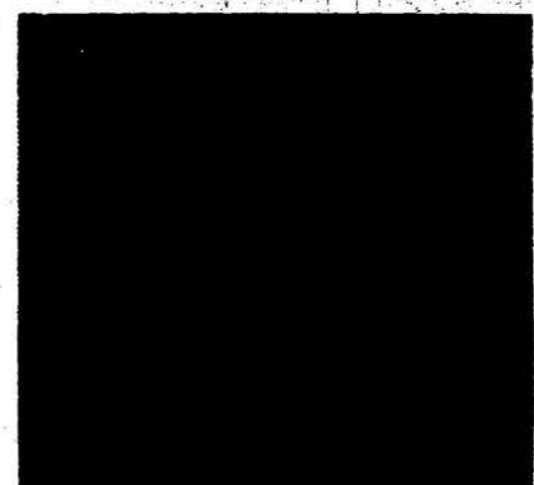
The aggressive contest was highlighted by the strong rebounding of Barry Berger '64. Throughout the entire game only a small margin separated the two teams. The freshmen maintained a three point lead at the close of the first quarter, and held a 16-3 advantage at the half. Added spark and revitalized team coordination aided the upperclassmen to tie the score 25-25. However, when the final buzzer sounded, they were one basket down, 38-36.

Borenstein and Siev scored 11 and 10 respectively, capping scoring honors for the class of '64. Eddie Rosenthal, the big gun for the juniors, led his teammates and his opponents with 13 points. Itzy Lehrer netted 11 and Sam Vogel put in 10.

In a game played earlier that week, the senior class scrounged out a victory over the sophomores 45-43. Although ahead by 7 points

"Ran's Raiders" Routed By "Besdin's Bombers"

A new rivalry has taken shape at Yeshiva University. Gone is the talk of "dinky wars" between freshmen and the rest of the student body. Today, in accordance with the more "synthetic" attitude prevalent at Yeshiva, discussion usually turns to the new intra-division basketball tournament initiated and conducted by Professor Hy Wettstein.



The first game in the series, between Jewish Studies Program and the Semicha students, played on May 11 proved to be a rousing success. Although at first the game seemed a little bit conservative—the Semicha boys lost their yarmulkas — a thrilling moment was never lacking through the hour-long melee.

The JSP fellows looked especially sharp when they pulled ahead in the first quarter 16-4. Itzy Lehrer netted 7, while Jerry Frankel of "Ran's Raiders" made fantastic defensive plays in trying to stem the tide, but to no avail. The future members of the rabbinic just couldn't take the lead away from their opponents.

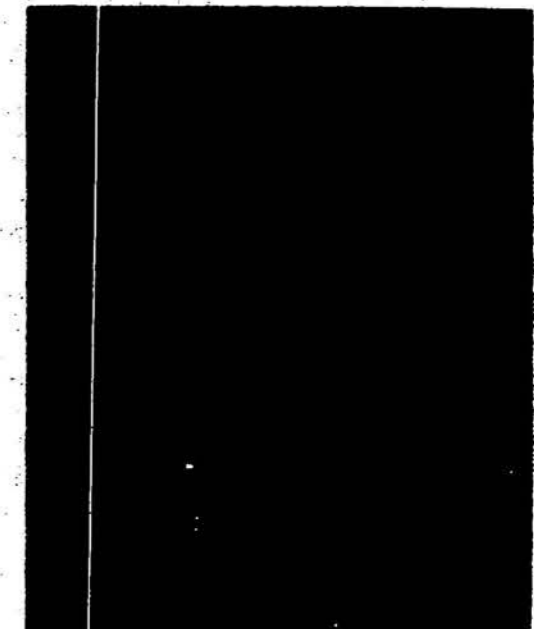
By the end of the third quarter (two "mochlobesin" and two technical fouls later), the "Besdin Bombers" had secured a twelve point margin, 32-20. However, a

sudden spurt of deft dribbling and accurate set-shooting by the Semicha boys narrowed the lead to five points. With thirty-eight seconds left Lehrer and Pincus fouled out, leaving the game almost wide open. But the clock finally won out, along with the boys from JSP, 42-37.

Every now and then rumor has it that "Ran's Raiders" will protest the game since there was no "besdin" to officiate, only two referees; but it's only a rumor. Bring on TI.

Yeshiva Mates U.S. Women's Chess Champ

Lisa Lane, United States Women's Chess Champion gave a simultaneous chess exhibition of twenty-one boards on May 15 at the Rubin Residence Hall. Playing till early hours of the morning, the top ranking woman manipulator of kings, rooks, and



pawns won but five matches while drawing seven and losing nine. The core of Miss Lane's stiff competition consisted of members of Yeshiva's varsity chess team.

This was the second in a series of exhibitions sponsored by the Chess Society of Yeshiva. Boards were distributed on a "first come first served basis" with much of the student body passively participating as avid spectators. A similar exhibition by International Grandmaster Pal Benko earlier this year proved equally entertaining, though Benko conquered twenty-nine of thirty boards.

Miss Lane first learned to play chess at the age of nineteen during her sophomore year at Temple University. Devoting eight to twelve hours a day with Attilio Di Camillo (a local chess master), she was able to cop the National Crown after two years and become the first woman chess "master" in United States history. Miss Lane plans to represent the U.S. next year in an international interzonal tournament at Yugoslavia, along with the men's champion Bobby Fisher.

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On The Sidelines

Maybe Next Year...

by Wally Fingerer

Tradition has it that the incoming sports editor says a few choice praiseworthy words about the outgoing one. So that I should not be dubbed a non-conformist, I shall devote exactly one sentence from my kind-hearted soul to "eulogize." He was one of the nicest, humblest, kindhearted slavedrivers that I ever wrote for, including those wonderful years at good old R.J.J. (just plugging the old-alma mater for all you B.T.A. and M.T.A. fans).

Shorter sleeves, coatless men, and bermudas herald the presence of wonderful spring and baseball. Slap ball games on the campus "cheesebox" are more frequent (at least three a day, and maybe four if the weather's nice...). Soft ball has drawn quite a following during the past few weeks and, for all we know, a future Babe Ruth or Lou Gehrig is being harbored in our midst. Public relations should send a scout down before the season is over... Classes have become less attractive and, subsequently, cutting more alluring, according to the latest Gallup Poll.

As the Yeshiva student reflects on the doings of the last winter, and I mean the doings, things are not as dismal as they first appear. After all, the basketball team did win four games and even managed to defeat City College in their only Tri-State victory. Things could be worse... or could they? There is hope (very faint though) that next year's veterans will surpass the won-loss record of this year's "stars." If the circumstances were a little less secular, I would strongly suggest to those Mighty Mites enthusiasts, who we all are (aren't we?) to say a few psalms from our revered *Tehillim*.

Of course the brief hope of varsity swimming was lost in the shuffle. Perhaps next year. With all the swimming talent floating around the hallways, there's no reason, pending administrative approval, of course, why such a squad cannot enter into inter-collegiate competition. The antiquated cry of "lack of time" can easily be voided by having varsity aspirants hang up Yonkers raceway and picket the Heights movie theatre.

I'd like to extend my personal congratulations to Yeshiva's wrestlers. Here's a bunch of schwell, I mean swell guys, who have in my estimation, picked up the slack in the school spirit when our Mighty Mites were limping along the road to recovery. Fellows like Jack Merkin, Bob Schwell, Warren Klein, and Benjy Leifer have brought joy to the hearts of Yeshiva loyalists and deserve a tumultuous round of applause. (Hip! Hip! Horray!)

Three cheers and a jolly round to our well-deserving chess team, recently returned from a Washington-Baltimore tour untied and undefeated. Their victories over the U. S. Naval Academy and American U. were probably the greatest individual publicity lifts for Yeshiva since the Mites played the Israeli Olympic basketball team at the Garden (and that's way back). Just think, our boys toured the White House and saw the President. Jealous? Well, don't be. You too can win a round trip to... Just call or send a card to THE COMMENTATOR, c/o Wally Fingerer, New York 33, New York, and I will personally guarantee you an opportunity to join the ranks of the chessmen. This commercial was presented as a public service for the Chess Society of Yeshiva College.

To close this, the first of a series of articles, although after this initial blast at the varsity squads I don't know if I'll last through next season, I'd like to sincerely thank the entire Governing Board for giving me the opportunity to voice opinions (mine only) on sporting life at Yeshiva through this column. And again I express deep gratitude to Josh Muss — the man who helped me and nurtured me in the techniques of writing from my early frosh days.

Hunter Downs Yeshiva Tennis Team Loses 3

In a closely fought match on May 5, Yeshiva's tennis team was defeated by Hunter College, 5-4.

Though the loss was frustrating, freshman Eddie Schlusel showed great promise by downing his opponent 6-3, 6-2. Fellow classmate Jeff Tillman, playing number five spot, swept to a 6-0, 6-2 victory and extended his winning streak to five. Johnny Ginsberg, utilizing his unique "double forehand—no backhand style easily downed his counterpart. Tillman and Ginsberg teamed up to win number three doubles 6-1, 6-0.

On the dimmer side Co-captain Bernie Kaplan, despite a fine performance, lost 3-6, 2-6. Rookie "Tex" Goodman dropped his match 4-6; 2-6 and Josh Muss followed suit with a 3-6, 4-6 defeat. Failing to capitalize on an easy lead, Muss and Schlusel wallowed to a 6-1, 1-6; 1-6 dis-

appointment in the doubles event.

With the score tied 4-4, Kaplan and Goodman outmaneuvered a more experienced Hunter due 6-1, 1-6, 6-8 giving the home team their victory.

In a previous April 21 match Iona vanquished Yeshiva 8-1.

Jeff Tillman registered a 6-1, 6-2 victory to give Yeshiva its only win. Playing in the one and two positions respectively, Co-captain Kaplan and freshman Goodman lost 4-6, 4-6 and 1-6, 5-7. Schlusel and Co-captain Danny Frimmer and veteran Muss were also trounced. Goodman and Schlusel in the number one doubles were edged out by a close 4-6, 4-6 margin.

Yeshiva met its third consecutive defeat at the hands of Pace College. Muss split his sets to gain a 6-2, 4-6, 6-3 victory and this added to Tillman's previous conquest.

Chessmen Return Victorious, Defeat Washington Schools; Grossman Appointed Captain

The nation's capital and its environs appeared more splendid to the Yeshiva "A" Chess team after they made a clean sweep of the chess boards during the weekend of May 3-7.

The next day Yeshiva outplayed a stubborn Georgetown sextet. Victories by Joel Grossman and Bob Goldstein added to a series of draws to clinch the match.

On May 6, after spending and

chessmen stopped the Midshipmen 4-2. Joel Grossman, Barry Frankel, Mike Hauer, and Mark Diskind were victorious in this initial meeting.

Said Morty Minchenberg, "One difficulty in the match proved to be the good nature of the midshipmen. The boys felt embarrassed to beat the swell fellows of the Navy. They were truly 'aces' in the fullest sense of the word. Our hats are off to the Navy."

The chess team concluded its season with a record of 9-4. Outgoing captain of the "A" team Morty Minchenberg has announced the appointment of Joel Grossman '62 as captain for the following year. Marty Rosman '63 will continue as captain of the "B" team, which compiled a 4-0 record this season.

The team encountered American University on May 7, the last day of the season, and turned the battle of wits into a resounding win for Yeshiva 5½-½.

Matthew Shatzkes Intramural Victor;

Mattie Shatzkes '61, former varsity fencing captain, copped dual honors at the annual intramural tourney held at the university gymnasium April 17 through 24.

After suffering an initial loss in the saber round robin, Shatzkes went on to win his title by defeating Dave Shenkin '61 and Barry Konovich '63 in two closely fought battles. Again fencing out of his varsity position, Shatzkes gained first place laurels in the epee division with an 8-0 record. Victory in foil competition went to a newly elected captain Warren Enker '62, who normally fences saber. Billy Silber '63 and Steve Rothman '63 followed in second and third places respectively with strong showings.

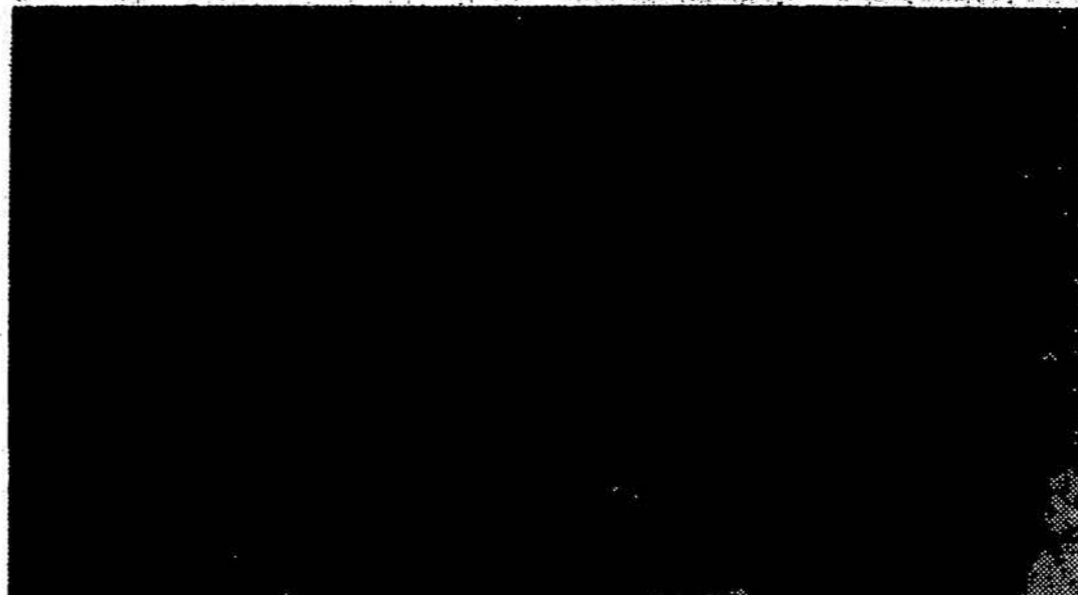
Amusingly enough, two of Yeshiva's varsity wrestlers, Jack Merkin and Benjy Leifer, tried their skill at the games. Though unsuccessful, they took advantage of the invitation extended to all students to join in the meet.

With all except the saber class following a direct elimination process, the field of fifty was halved within a single evening's slashing. Coach Truber, judging all semi-final and final matches, was enthralled with the student turnout and upon witnessing the strong freshmen teams expressed his hope for a successful season next year.

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In the first match, against George Washington University on May 3, the "Mighty Knights" emerged triumphant with a score of 4½-2½. Barry Frankel, Mike Hauer, Bob Goldstein, and Max Lew easily defeated their opponents, while Joel Grossman drew on the first board.

enjoying a Shabbos with the hospitable Rabbi and Mrs. Rosenblatt and other wonderful *baleibatim* of Annapolis, the stalwarts were prepared for the most important contest of the tour, a match with the United States Naval Academy. After lengthy battles lasting for four hours, the

Off The Sidelines

Game, Set, Match...

by Josh Muss

The warming days of spring may be just a bit early, the boisterous campaigns may be a bit premature, the tennis team may have already won its first match, but one sure sign of the redemption in sight is a double offering of OTS on the last page of THE COMMENTATOR.

For one reporter, this represents the closing paragraph of an incomplete composition. How difficult it is to squeeze that last drop from the tube! The biggest temptation is to dispose of all farewells and take one last bite from the hand that doesn't feed us. It would be redundant, however, to reiterate pleas which have so constantly fallen on deaf, non-athletic supporting, university ears. Consequently one well-battered head is left to succeeding generations for these unyielding walls.

If a crack is to penetrate this solid wall, look for it to be extended by the efforts of Bernie "Red" Sarachek, of Yeshiva's Athletic Association. Red is not as acknowledged as he should be for his staunch loyalty to the student body in attempting to nurture an effective sports program at Yeshiva. But that is past, and will be our future; at present one must bid farewell.

It would be noble to dedicate this column to the unsung heroes of the sports page. Mrs. Miller patiently returns all queries at the athletic office and proxies for an elusive chief. Larry Wachman reliably collects the chronicles of intramural basketball to keep the information at hand. The typists doggedly stick by their machines as the OTS trickles in with the approaching dawn. But one would rather elaborate on the results of past columns, which, having decried shortcoming and encouraged fresh ideas, reaped the fruits of response and reform. Let us not be so naive, however, as to believe that what has been accomplished could fill an entire column, for that would take a ten year backlog. And yet, there is a report to be made.

Classy locker and shower room facilities were installed after OTS revealed the previous woeful conditions. It seems likely that the Varsity members will finally don the school colors, with jacket delivery due in two weeks. Physical education classes were prompted into renewed activity. It is hoped that eventually the phys. ed. requirements will be more realistically evaluated. A last month surge has brought intramurals back into focus as volleyball contests, inter-departmental basketball games, and ping-pong matches are keeping the gym alive around the clock. There is reason to believe that OTS has stimulated going concern.

If only a well intentioned column could insure team success. It must be conceded that predictions have been tinted with a biased brand of optimism. Undefeated seasons went by the boards even before the forecasts appeared in print. It is counseling that this will not happen again. Things must improve; winning records again will prevail.

So, in all confidence, it may safely be predicted that next year will witness a successful record in the succession of this column. It has been a pleasure to be of service; it is time to reassume a place on the sidelines.